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ONE of history's major trials is now under way in Yassiada, a small island near Istanbul. On trial are more than 500 leaders of the Turkish Democratic Party, headed by ex-President Djelal Bayar and Prime Minister Menderes. But the real suspect in the dock is a policy, the demagogic policy so well known in the Middle East as elsewhere, which aims at gaining and holding power by exploiting the religious fanaticism and chauvinistic tendencies of the least-developed elements of the population.

TURKISH TRIAL

That may explain some of the strange features of this trial. The democratic leaders are accused of violating the Constitution, trying to create a one-party dictatorship, attempting to murder the opposition leader, Ismet Ineunu, inciting the mob to senseless and costly riots, and other equally serious crimes. But during the opening days of the trial the emphasis was on a trivial story: the sale by Djelal Bayar of a valuable hound presented to him by the King of Afghanistan. It would also appear that the misadventures of Mr. Menderes' mistress and the secret burial of the illegitimate child that died a few hours after birth will occupy the court before the trial reaches issues of national import.

The reason is not far to seek. The officers who will remain in power till the elections next autumn are well aware that it was the Democrats' policy to support the religious feelings of the peasant masses, while practical measures in their favour, at the expense of a balanced economy, together assured them popular support in the villages. To accuse Menderes of "violating the Constitution" will mean little to an illiterate, and would hardly affect their vote. The officers of the National Committee therefore feel that the first step must be to destroy the personal prestige of the fallen leaders by exposing their disorderly private lives and by showing that they did not hesitate to use state funds to promote their own electoral interests and private affairs. Many other members of the Government will be tried on charges of corruption, and it is expected that after their inevitable conviction on these charges the masses will be more inclined to believe that the Democrats were not honourable politicians but a clique using the State to foster their own interests.

The case of the September 1955 riots, during which thousands of shops and offices belonging to Greeks and other minorities were destroyed, has also been revived now in order to show that the Democrats did not hesitate to stage a fake bomb attack on Ataturk's house in Salonika, in order to exploit for their own ends the genuine patriotism of the Turks and their love for their great leader.

Some observers fear that this approach may succeed in destroying the prestige of the Democrats, but it will not necessarily prevent the reviving of the methods the Democrats used. It is clear now that an appeal for the revival of Islam in Turkey means votes, and other parties may be tempted to try the same methods with the resumption of Turkey's normal political life next year.

The officers now in power understand this possible danger. This is why they have inserted in the new draft constitution a clause strictly forbidding the utilisation of religion for political aims. Not satisfied with this, they have launched an all-out effort to develop primary education. According to a new law, boys who have completed high school from now on will perform their compulsory military service as village teachers. The alliance of university professors and army officers which is now governing Turkey wants to grapple with the problem at its foundation and this is why, in spite of all the difficulties ahead, there is reason for confidence in the future of Turkish democracy.

Tractor King Dead

LONDON (AP). — Harry Ferguson, the tractor king, died yesterday. He was 68.

Ferguson, the inventor of a lightweight tractor which sold all over the world,

'Lavon Affair' Seen Nearing its End

Jerusalem Post Political Correspondent

There were indications yesterday that the over four-week-long "Lavon Affair" may be approaching its end when it was learned that Mr. Pinhas Lavon is understood to have accepted Mr. Sharett's statement as the rehabilitation that he has sought.

An announcement to this effect is expected to be published today by Mr. Lavon in "Davar," which is believed to state also that the "Affair" is finished as far as he is concerned and that he sees no need for any further inquiry.

Prime Minister Ben-Gurion at the same time is understood to wish to press his proposal that a new commission of inquiry be appointed to deal with the question of who had been responsible for the order on the 1954 "security mishap."

Mr. Ben-Gurion is expected to raise this issue at next Sunday's Cabinet session, but it is understood that he will abide by the Cabinet majority vote which is likely to favour the postponement of such a decision until a special Ministerial Committee has studied the entire issue.

Ministerial C'ttee

The appointment of such a Ministerial Committee is considered a compromise move that would have the support of all coalition partners in addition to some of the Mapai Ministers.

The request of the Senior Army Officer directly involved in the "security mishap," for a new investigation is also to be dealt with by the projected Ministerial Committee, if the Minister of Justice Mr. P. Rosen, supports such a procedure.

Finance Minister Levi Eshkol and Mapai Secretary-General Yosef Almogi met yesterday with Mr. Ben-Gurion in an attempt to persuade him to withdraw the proposal for a new inquiry commission, but they could only agree on the compromise procedure that is to be dealt with by next Sunday's Cabinet session. This means that both Mr. Ben-Gurion's proposal for a new inquiry and Mr. Rosen's proposal for a special Ministerial Committee are likely to be voted upon.

Cabinet Issue

At the same time it was agreed that the Mapai Secretariat will not deal with the "Affair" when it meets this Friday and that only the Cabinet is to rule on this issue.

Mr. Sharett's statement was broadcast yesterday by Kol Yisrael throughout the day.

It was announced, meanwhile, that Foreign Minister Golda Meir is to return tomorrow from the U.N. Assembly session, a week earlier than scheduled, to be able to take part in the concluding consultations on the "Affair."

Sharett's Statement

Mr. Moshe Sharett, who as Prime Minister in 1955 had accepted Mr. Pinhas Lavon's resignation as Defence Minister, told "Davar" yesterday, that the facts brought to light by the Cohn Committee, would, had they been known at the time, have been considered weighty proof of Mr. Lavon's innocence of the charges brought against him.

Mr. Sharett was replying to a "Davar" reporter who asked if he had anything to add to his Friday's article in that paper, following the submission of the findings of the Cohn Committee. He replied:

"In my article I wrote that, had I known at the time what I know now, there might possibly have been no need for such a type of investigation (by the Olshan Committee of 1955). In any case, it is probable that the conclusions of that committee would have been different.

"I wrote these words before I knew of the conclusions of the Cohn Committee as revealed in the published opinion of the Attorney-General. I am convinced that, had the facts now brought to light by the Cohn Committee been known then, they would have served as weighty evidence that the charges levelled against Pinhas Lavon at that time, accusing him of direct responsibility for a certain event, were false."

In reply to another question, whether these new facts would not have changed his stand on the need for Lavon's resignation he said:

"No. I am sure that even in such a case, because of one of his conditions for continuing as Minister of Defence — the dismissal of the Director-General (Mr. Simon Peres) — under these circumstances I would have had no alternative but to accept his resignation in view of the relations that had developed."

In reply to Mr. Sharett's statement, which was regarded as a serious effort to bring the Lavon Affair to an end, or at least to reduce the tension surrounding the proceedings connected with it, Mr. Lavon told the afternoon papers yesterday: "The statement by Mr. Sharett . . . greatly strengthens my contention, and under normal circumstances should and could have served as a basis for ending the argument about the responsibility for the 'incident.'"

Mr. Lavon did not say whether he would be satisfied with Mr. Sharett's statement under present conditions.

Jordan-Iraq Ties Resume Next Week

King Hussein will announce the establishment of diplomatic relations between Jordan and Iraq when he opens a new session of Parliament in Amman next Tuesday. A royal decree convening the session was issued yesterday.

Re-establishment of relations will be at Embassy level. "El Jihad" said yesterday that the Jordan Government is now considering several persons for the post of Ambassador to Baghdad.

Nasser Lauds Afghans For Shunning Israel

CAIRO (AP).— Abdul Nasser yesterday praised Afghanistan for the refusal to recognise Israel or have anything to do with her.

Speaking to a National Union rally in honour of visiting Afghan King Mohamed Zaher Shah, Nasser declared that "we are aware of your honourable stand when Arabs faced Zionist aggression in 1948. You and your people fully supported us. Afghanistan never recognised Israel and has not established any kind of relations with her officially or unofficially — in trade, culture or economically — this means the old solid ties that bound together the Arab nation and Afghanistan still exist."

Nasser said Afghanistan had resisted pressures from Israel and "its imperialist allies" of Asian-African countries to give the Israelis a foothold through *de facto* or *de jure* recognition.

In a 45-minute speech, Nasser violently attacked Israel for being the "imperialist base in the Middle East." He claimed that in the 1956 hostilities, he "had his own plan in Sinai" — which was not to widen the battlefield.

Egyptians Seize Israel Fishing Launch with 8

GAZA (AP). — An Israel launch and fishing boat were seized inside Gaza terrritorial waters, Egyptian authorities here claimed yesterday.

The announcement said the launch and boat were seen approaching Gaza shores Monday. Coastguards here went out, seized them, and arrested their Israel crew of eight.

The Israel sailors were turned over to Arab authorities for investigation.

Police in Jaffa yesterday confirmed that a fishing launch with a crew of eight was missing since Sunday. An Arab fisherman in Jaffa, Abu Hadara, on Monday reported he had been fishing off Ashkelon on Sunday in his own craft together with another launch, owned by Abdul Kader, of Acre, and that the latter's launch had not returned.

He said Kader's launch had a small boat in tow and a crew of eight.

U.S. Says Cuba Property Grab Is 'Communist'

WASHINGTON (AP). —The U.S. yesterday denounced Cuba's action in seizing more American properties as "in full accord with international Communism's dogma."

The State Department said it represents another step by Premier Fidel Castro's regime to exploit the Cuban people for foreign political purposes.

The Department lashed out at the Cuban move a few hours after a new Havana decree ordered seizure of 167 more American firms. The decree covered most of the $200m. in American property left in Cuba. Castro's newest manoeuvre, the Department said, is completely in keeping with Communist policy of state ownership and control of all means of production and distribution of goods.

Among the firms nationalised were Sears Roebuck, Woolworth's, the operating firm for the U.S. Government's Nicaro nickel plant, which has a $110m. book value, the properties of the Coca-Cola Bottling Co. Westinghouse, General Electric, the Minimax chain of supermarkets, Reynolds International Aluminum, the Railway Express Agency, the Havana Racetrack, and Havana's only Armoured Car Service.

The Government had been operating many of the firms for some time, but this latest decree brings them into outright Government ownership.

Like the American owners of other properties seized previously by the Castro regime, owners who lost their holdings yesterday are not expected to get compensation.

Cuban Complaint on U.N. Agenda

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). — The U.N. Steering Committee on Tuesday decided unanimously to include on the General Assembly agenda Cuba's complaint of U.S. "aggression" and "acts of intervention" against Cuba.

New F.M. Appointments

Several new appointments in the Foreign Ministry were announced in Jerusalem yesterday:

Mr. Aharon Ass has been appointed First Secretary in the Israel Embassy in Mexico City; Mr. Eliezer Armon is to serve as First Secretary in the Embassy in Lima, Peru; Mr. Shlomo Nahmias has been appointed First Secretary and Consul in the Embassy in Paris; and Mr. Moshe Guron has been appointed First Secretary in the Legation in Belgrade.

Paris-Bonn Accord On Training Bases

PARIS (AP). — The Foreign Ministry announced last night that an agreement has been signed with the West German Government to allow the German Army training facilities and storage depots on French soil.

A brief announcement by the Quai d'Orsay said that the training bases and storage depots in question are part of the French military plant, and would remain under French Army control.

The West German Government will make requests for use of the facilities "through diplomatic channels," the announcement added.

Bonn Probing Alleged Buzzing of Royal Jet

BONN (Reuter). — The Defence Ministry said on Tuesday it had initiated a full investigation of the incident in which two jet fighters allegedly zoomed near the Comet airliner bringing home Britain's Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh from a private week-end visit to Denmark.

It said investigations up to now had brought no results. The Chief Information Officer of the Second Allied Tactical Air Force on Tuesday denied that two West German Sabre jet fighters came dangerously close to the Comet and said they were two Dutch Hunter jets. The Dutch promptly denied this.

Later the spokesman said the alleged "near miss"—first reported from London by the Comet crew — is being investigated by a court of inquiry in the civilian air traffic control area concerned and is thereore *sub judice*. The incident took place 20 miles north of the Dutch airport of Eelde, above West German territory. *(Reuter, AP)*

15,000 Renault Men In Protest Rally

PARIS (Reuter). — Some 15,000 workers at the Renault motor works on Tuesday afternoon staged a two-hour strike and protest march to press their demands for reduced working hours in order to avoid retrenchment.

Three thousand workers received dismissal notices following production cutbacks as a result of a drop in exports.

They dispersed quietly after the march, during which they shouted slogans against Renault and the Government.

Soviet Threat To Walk Out Of Arms Debate

UNITED NATIONS.— The Soviet Union on Tuesday threatened to boycott the disarmament debate in the main Political Committee if the West used the discussion "as a screen for covering up the policy of the arms race and brinkmanship."

Mr. Valerian Zorin, the chief Soviet delegate, urged the Western side to get down to the basic principles of a treaty on general and complete disarmament.

Mr. Zorin rejected a disarmament resolution proposed by Britain, the U.S. and Italy. He said it followed the vicious and dangerous line of "control over arms" instead of disarmament control.

The three-power draft which he scorned would have the General Assembly set six principles which should guide disarmament negotiations and urge "that negotiations be resumed as soon as possible on the basis of this resolution."

Western diplomatic sources said they regarded it as virtually certain that the Soviet Union now would walk out of the debate.

For Summit Debate

Mr. Zorin virtually wrote off the debate by declaring the only way of solving the arms problem is to convene a special session of the General Assembly next spring at the summit level.

He made a new appeal to the Western powers to accept the Soviet approach. But he said "it is becoming increasingly evident that at present the U.S. is not ready to hold productive negotiations on disarmament."

He said the U.S. had proposed nothing on banning production of nuclear weapons and destroying stockpiles, but only talked about transfer of nuclear material for peaceful purposes from existing stockpiles.

He criticised statements by U.S. delegate James J. Wadsworth as failing to contribute anything toward preventing nuclear war.

Mr. Zorin also unleashed a biting attack on Italian policy on disarmament, stating the Italian Government "is afraid of the raising of the question of the dismantling of military bases on foreign territories as the devil fears the church bells' chime." *(Reuter, AP)*

De Gaulle Defeats Censure Motion on Own Atom Force

PARIS (Reuter).—President de Gaulle won the first round in his trial of strength with his opponents early yesterday when a motion of censure aimed at overthrowing his Government on the issue of a French nuclear strike force failed by 70 votes.

The censure motion, backed mainly by the Socialists and Radicals, required an absolute majority—277 votes. It obtained 207. Failure of the motion means the nuclear strike force bill is automatically adopted.

It also means the President's personal position is strengthened, since he was the real author of the five-year project by which France will have independent nuclear striking power. The bill's opponents were more concerned with attacking General de Gaulle than the actual project.

M. Guy Mollet, the Socialist leader who led the attack in the Assembly, said he agreed with the Bill's objectives but opposed its means.

Prime Minister Michel Debre and his Foreign Minister, M. Maurice Couve de Murville, both emphasized the critical international situation in defending the bill.

More agitation and clamour are expected in the coming weeks from left-wing organisations impatient to get political talks going with Algerian insurgent leaders in Tunis. Further attempts to kill the President's self-determination policy for Algeria are expected from ultra-nationalists.

Blumel Report In Yiddish Press

By MAURICE CARR
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — The Parisian pro-Communist Yiddish daily, "Nein Presse," yesterday finally published the report of M. Andre Blumel's press conference given last Friday on his visit to Russia and the situation of Soviet Jewry.

The report is on the whole objective, but one notable omission is M. Blumel's story about Russian Jews who complained to him that the Soviet authorities had banned the importation of the "Nein Presse."

This is, from the Kremlin's viewpoint, an unexceptionable newspaper, but apparently has one serious fault—it is printed in Yiddish.

UN Bars New Mobutu Units from Leo'ville

LEOPOLDVILLE. — United Nations forces with anti-tank weapons yesterday dug in to block the approach to Leopoldville of Colonel Joseph Mobutu's armoured reinforcements, reported on their way to the capital from Thysville, 250 kms. away.

At the same time, the Student Council appointed by Col. Mobutu to rule Congo accused certain African States and the U.N. of "plotting" to disarm the Congolese Army, seize the Leopoldville radio station, recall Parliament, and reinstall Mr. Patrice Lumumba as Premier. In a broadcast over the radio, the Council identified the African states as Ghana, Guinea and Morocco.

The Student Council announced that their rule was now legalised by the Chief of State, that their government assumed all legislative and executive powers, and demanded U.N. recognition.

The broadcast followed a telephone message from General I. Rikhye, the U.N. Comander, to Col. Mobutu Monday, warning him against trying to bring in his force of about 30 armoured cars and several lorryloads of troops from Thysville.

The Thysville troops have been trained in the use of armoured cars by four Belgian officers, whom the U.N. ordered to leave the Congo three days ago but who have not yet done so.

Meanwhile, Leopoldville tottered in chaos and disorder with virtually no prospects for immediate relief.

Col. Mobutu, who last Saturday announced he had broken off relations with the U.N., was back in the U.N. headquarters, apparently pleading for support. No details on his talks with U.N. officials were available.

The Colonel also announced his intention to fly to New York, which he announced last Saturday, in order to plead for help from Secretary-General Hammarskjold and American officials.

A U.N. statement issued here said charges of looting brought by President Moise Tshombe of Katanga against U.N. troops in the town of Kabalo were "totally false and unfounded."

Kabalo is one of the neutral zones set up recently in North Katanga, where only U.N. troops are allowed to carry arms. The zones were established because of repressive measures by Tshombe's gendarmerie and reprisals by tribesmen.

The U.N. statement added: "The allegations by the Katanga Government seem to be an attempt to bring to an end an arrangement for the pacification of the area."

U.N. troops are standing by ready to fly to Elisabethville if Mr. Tshombe attempts to carry out his threat to remove the U.N. representative there, Mr. Ian Berendsen of New Zealand, by force. Mr. Berendsen has been ordered to remain at his post.

Congo to Cost UN $66m. This Year

UNITED NATIONS (AP). — Secretary-General Hammarskjold yesterday laid before the General Assembly a budget of $66m. to finance the U.N. Congo operation for 1960.

The long-awaited estimates cover the period from July, when the U.N. operation began, to the end of the year. An additional $100m. or more is expected to be requested later for the 1961 budget.

The Congo costs already have been the subject of hot debate in the Assembly's 90-nation Budgetary Committee, where Soviet bloc delegates have announced they will not contribute anything to what they call the "dirty role" of the U.N. in the Congo.

The Secretary-General has indicated that the fund should be raised by assessments on the member nations on the same scale as their regular budgetary assessments.

Mr. Hammarskjold said in yesterday's report that his current source of money for the Congo, the working capital fund of $23m., is now nearing depletion and new money will have to be found quickly to avert a U.N. financial crisis. He asked for authority to borrow at current interest rates from other available sources to meet pressing operating costs.

The Secretary-General said the 1960 Congo budget might be reduced appreciably if the governments which have furnished transportation and other services should decide to write those services off as a voluntary contribution.

Nkrumah Advises Day Not to Move Ghanaians

ACCRA (Reuter).— President Kwame Nkrumah has declared in a message to Mr. Hammarskjold that the movement of Ghana troops out of Leopoldville is inadvisable, and should be suspended if the situation in Leopoldville is not to be allowed to deteriorate.

In a broadcast Monday night, Dr. Nkrumah said he had told the Secretary-General that to move Ghana troops out of Leopoldville would undoubtedly have serious security repercussions there.

President Nkrumah, who departed from the prepared text of his broadcast to refer to the Congo, said the truth of what he told Mr. Hammarskjold could now be borne out from the "sad events of the last two days, after two battalions of Ghana troops moved from Leopoldville."

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Marshal Mitrofan Nedelin, Commander in Chief of Soviet Rocket Forces, has been killed in an "air accident," the official Tass News agency reported last night.

Mr. Meir Argov, Chairman of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee, returned from abroad last night and will resume his Chairmanship. He said he knew nothing of the "Lavon Affair."

Peres Continues C'ttee Testimony

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

"Mr. Ben-Gurion, while in retirement in Sde Boker, never gave any instructions, but his advice on defence matters was considered valuable by all of us, including Mr. Pinhas Lavon, who never took exception to such consultations and even encouraged this contact."

This was stated yesterday morning by the Deputy Minister of Defence, Mr. Shimon Peres, when he replied for over three hours to questions put to him by the members of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee.

The difficulty was that Mr. Ben-Gurion himself put careful limits to these consultations, he added.

In his second appearance before the Committee, Mr. Peres answered 17 of the 42 questions put to him in what was termed by both Mapai and opposition members, a "quiet, considered and impressive manner." He refrained from commenting on any personal issues, and refused to go into any issue that had not already been raised in the Knesset Committee by other persons. The Committee will meet again this morning at 9 o'clock to continue hearing Mr. Peres' testimony, which is unlikely to be concluded today.

Yesterday's testimony dealt mainly with the questions of working relations between the Minister of Defence, the Chief of Staff and the Director-General, as well as with issues connected with the Olshan-Dori inquiry.

Replying to a question by Dr. Altman (Herut), whether it was possible for army officers to act without the consent of the Minister of Defence, Mr. Peres said that the regulations forbade this. There had been some offences against these regulations but these had always been dealt with promptly and severely. Mr. Peres refused to express any opinion on who, "according to this impression," had given the order for the "mishap." He said this was too serious a matter to be dealt with by second-hand impressions, and it was for the authorised bodies and persons to reach a conclusion on this issue, if necessary.

Improper to Speculate

Asked for the reasons for Mr. Lavon's resignation at the time, Mr. Peres said that Mr. Lavon's subordinates had never been asked to express an opinion on this question, and he did not now consider it proper to speculate on the reasons, which were the concern of the Prime Minister (Mr. Sharett), who had accepted the resignation.

On Mr. Lavon's claim concerning the lack of personal relations and differences of opinion with Mr. Peres, which were referred to by Mr. Y. Hazan (Mapam), Mr. Peres said that differences of opinion were legitimate as long as the framework of accepted discipline was maintained.

Although Mr. Peres did not think he was to blame for the "lack of friendly relations," he refused emphatically to express an opinion on Mr. Lavon. He said he preferred the "uncomfortable position" of having only Mr. Lavon's version on the issue heard, rather than discussing personal matters before a wide forum. Mr. Peres said that working relations within the Defence Ministry had been most cordial throughout the years and were yet.

As to the relations between a Minister and his Director-General, Mr. Peres made the following points:

- A Director-General must accept any instructions given him by and must report to, his Minister when specifically asked to do so, and on matters of principle even when he has not been asked.
- The Director-General must take the initiative in implementing other matters, by himself, but must consider well which of these could be of particular interest to the Minister.
- He is free to consult with anyone, provided that these consultations do not contradict the Minister's express instructions.

On the Olshan-Dori Inquiry Committee Mr. Peres said:

The committee's terms of reference had been defined by Messrs. Sharett and Lavon (Prime Minister and Minister of Defence respectively, at the time). It had been decided that the testimony was to remain secret, and Mr. Lavon should have raised his complaints against this procedure then.

Mr. Lavon complained only that Mr. Peres had testified before the committee, which had been his duty, but had not raised any other points. The charge that he and Mr. Moshe Dayan had "jumped on the bandwagon" was, therefore, unjustified.

Mr. Peres refused to express any opinion on the subjects that were dealt with by the Olshan-Dori Committee, on the grounds that he was not authorized to deal with an inquiry that had not been carried out by him.

He said his testimony before the Committee was not against or for anyone, but merely described a certain situation which, in his opinion, had existed.

On the secrecy of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Security Committee discussion, Mr. Peres said:

Rule of Secrecy

The first rule in secrecy is to provide security information only to those needing it for operational purposes. To withhold secret information from people is not necessarily to imply that these people are not trustworthy. It is only intended to limit the number of persons having knowledge of security secrets. The Committee members themselves had requested several times that they be spared details of certain security matters, so they should not be burdened with State secrets.

At today's session, Mr. Zalman Aranne will be among those submitting questions—the first Mapai member of the Committee to do so. Yesterday Mr. Aranne said, in connection with Mr. Peres' consultations with Prime Minister Ben-Gurion when the latter was in retirement at Sde Boker, that consultations with a former Minister on matters pertaining to his former Ministry were "natural and useful."

General Federation of Labour in Israel
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40th Anniversary of Moetzet Hapoalot and 35th Anniversary of Pioneer Women
"Women of Israel" EXHIBITION
The Gala Opening of the Exhibition will take place on Wednesday, Oct. 26, at 4 p.m. on the Exhibition square, at Hamlin House, 30 Rehov Weizmann, Tel Aviv.
Opening Speech: Mrs. BEBA IDELSON, Secretary of Moetzet Hapoalot, Deputy Speaker of the Knesset.
Greetings: Mrs. RAHEL YANAIT BEN-ZVI
Mrs. OGDEN REID
Mrs. JEAN-MARIE DERY
Mrs. SHOSHANA HARELI, Member of Moetzet Hapoalot Secretariat
Mrs. CLARA LEFF, President of Pioneer Women in the U.S.
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Admittance to invited guests only. The exhibition is open to the general public as from 5 p.m. and will be open daily (except Saturdays) from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tickets can be obtained at Moetzet Hapoalot, 74 Ahad Ha'am Building, Room 108, at Working Mothers Association offices, from workers' committees, and at the Exhibition box office.
Festive Assembly in Habimah House
on Wednesday, October 26, at 7.30 p.m.
Opening Speech: BEBA IDELSON, Secretary of Moetzet Hapoalot, Deputy Speaker of the Knesset.
Greetings: Mrs. RAHEL YANAIT BEN-ZVI
Prime Minister DAVID BEN-GURION
Mr. MORDECAI NAMIR, Mayor of Tel Aviv
Mrs. YEHUDIT SIMHONI, Member of Histadrut Executive
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With deep sorrow we announce the death of
Mrs. Simha Somekh ז"ל
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The funeral cortege will leave the Bellinson Hospital, Petah Tikva, to the Kiryat Shaul Cemetery, at 1.30 p.m. today, October 26, 1960.
HER SONS, DAUGHTERS, GRANDCHILDREN, and FAMILIES

We regret to announce the passing away in Bulawayo, Southern Rhodesia, on September 27, 1960, of the head of our family
ABE GELMAN
In deep sorrow:
Una Gelman-Weller, Daughter
Dr. Moses Cyrus Weller, Son-in-law
Mrs. Hanna Weller.
All of Haifa.

Social & Personal

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi yesterday received Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Weinstein; the Minister-designate to Venezuela and Mrs. Arie Oren, and Mr. Isa Mikardo, the British Labour Party leader, and Mrs. Mikardo.

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi entertained Mrs. Rose Halprin, Acting Chairman of the American Section of the Jewish Agency Executive, at luncheon yesterday.

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The Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, yesterday received Mr. Reid, and the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Hebrew University, Dr. George Wise.

Mr. Reid was also received by the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Moshe Dayan.

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The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Pinhas Sapir, yesterday gave a luncheon in honour of the American Ambassador, Mr. Ogden Reid. Among those present were the Director-General of the Ministry, Mr. Michael Tsour, and the Controller of Foreign Currency, Dr. Zvi Dinstein.

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The Minister of Justice, Mr. Pinhas Rosen, yesterday received Judge and Mrs. Samuel Epstein of Chicago.

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The Minister of Education, Mr. Abba Eban, yesterday received the Belgian Ambassador, M. Jean Leroy, and the Danish Ambassador, Mr. Birger Ove Kronmann. Mr. Eban also received Dr. Henry Cassirer, head of the Unesco Television Bureau.

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The Swedish Ambassador, Mr. Hugo de Tamm, yesterday called on the Histadrut Secretary-General, Mr. Pinhas Lavon.

Mr. Lavon later received the Ghanaian Ambassador, Mr. Bediako Poku, who was accompanied by the Embassy Secretary, Mr. K.O. Korsah.

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The Danish Ambassador, Mr. Birger Ove Kronmann, yesterday paid courtesy calls on Mr. Eshkol, the Ministers of Justice, Commerce and Industry, and Posts, and on the Speaker of the Knesset.

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The Annual Award for Distinguished Public Service was presented to the Mayor of Jerusalem, Mr. Mordecai Ish-Shalom, by Mr. Albert L. Kanter of New York in a ceremony held at the Municipality Building. The Award is presented annually by the American Committee for Boys' Town Jerusalem, under the leadership of Mr. Ira Guilden, to outstanding public figures who have made an important contribution to Jewish life.

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The Director-General of the Prime Minister's Office, Mr. T. Kollek, yesterday received in his office in Jerusalem Mr. Joseph B. Goldberg, Chairman of the Rio Grande Valley Israel Bond Campaign, and Mrs. Goldberg of Houston, Texas.

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The delegation of the Pioneer Women of America visited the Hebrew University and were received by Mr. B. Cherrick, Executive Vice-Chairman of the University's Board of Governors, and Dr. C. Worman, Director of the Jewish National and University Library, who expressed the University's appreciation of the Pioneer Women's project to raise the funds for the premises of the Graduate Library School on the campus.

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The Hebrew University gave a luncheon yesterday in honour of Judge and Mrs. Louis Goodman, of San Francisco, and of two Vice-Presidents of the Board of Directors of the American Friends of the University, Mr. Benjamin H. Swig, of San Francisco, and Mr. Victor Barter of Los Angeles.

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The Director-General of the Ministry of Social Welfare, Dr. Moshe Kurtz, entertained Miss Rose Alvernas, Social Services Officer of the U.N. Regional Affairs Office for the Middle East in Beirut, at dinner on Monday.

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This evening at 8.30 p.m., Dr. P.A.I. Tahourdin, Representative of the British Council, will speak on "The Royal Society and the Development of Natural Science in 17th-century England" at 13 Rehov Idelson, Tel Aviv.

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The Jerusalem Rotary Club will mark U.N. Day with a Ladies' Dinner, to be held tonight at 8.00 p.m. at the Y.M.C.A. The guest speaker will be Mr. Gideon Rafael, Deputy Director of the Foreign Ministry.

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Professor H.J. Finkel, of the Technion, will address the Haifa Rotary Club on "In Peru for the U.N." at 1 p.m. today, Appinger Hotel.

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MARRIAGE

Mr. and Mrs. Jaap Bar-David announce the marriage of their eldest daughter, Varda Elisheva, to Avraham Milawsky, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milawsky of Tel Aviv, which took place on October 25, 1960 at Savyon.

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Diamond Exchange Hits Gov't Company's Policy

TEL AVIV.—A flare-up between the Diamond Exchange and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry seems likely unless the Ministry takes steps to curb the competing activities of its Diamond Research and Development Company, well-informed sources on the Exchange told *The Jerusalem Post* here yesterday.

Diamond Exchange members were reported to be particularly incensed at the activities of Mr. Yehuda Dibon, the former Controller of Diamonds who now heads the Research and Development Company. They charge Mr. Dibon with exploiting trade secrets which came to his knowledge officially in his former capacity of Controller.

The Company's management, which organized the diamond polishing industry in development areas by contracting workshops or otherwise assisting them, is also accused of "dumping" marketing policies and of undermining the Exchange's export efforts by offering sales on a credit basis. The Exchange's sales are carried out only on a cash basis in view of the tight 2 per cent profit margin, claimed to be too low to permit even brief credit transactions. The company on the other hand is in a position to offer up to six months' credit, allegedly because it enjoys long-term Government credits. In addition to a more favourable rate of exchange and other benefits intended exclusively for development area projects.

Counter-measures Seen

The Company, which provides a living for some 600 workers in the various development areas, is also charged with breaking an agreement with the Exchange, according to which it was to have confined its activities to the local market and to "achtkant" (eight-facet) polishing exclusively.

Counter-measures contemplated by the Exchange may include enlisting the support of the "big brother" New York Exchange as a last resort measure, a prominent member of the Local Exchange told your reporter.

He believed that the diamond industry was not in a position to indulge in lengthy protest strikes which would only worsen its precarious position.

The diamond industry last year exported $46.7m. worth of polished diamonds.

The Company is now reported to be exporting $850,000 worth of diamonds per month.

Complete Diamond Centre in Capital

POST Economic Reporter

A handsome six-storey diamond centre will be opened next month in the Romema Quarter of Jerusalem to give jobs to another 700 workers in the Capital. Mr. Aryeh Greenfield, Secretary of the Jerusalem Economic Corporation, told *The Jerusalem Post*. The building, which is almost completed, has been built by the Corporation, which will lease it together with the equipment for processing the gems.

The centre will concentrate more facilities for the industry's convenience under one roof, than can be found anywhere abroad, stated Mr. Greenfield.

It will contain a branch of Union Bank that will loan more than half the necessary working capital to those diamond firms which are approved by a public committee of three Jerusalemites (Knesset-Member Moshe Bar-Am, Mr. Zvi Barak of the Jerusalem Economic Corporation, and Mr. Avraham Harmatz of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry).

Diamond firms normally find it difficult to raise such funds, because of the small investment — IL800 of equipment per worker — that can be offered as collateral.

New Branch

A branch of the Customs Department will be on the premises so that raw diamonds from abroad may be collected without leaving the building. The Government-controlled Diamond Industry Development Company, which imports diamonds and allocates them to small plants for polishing, will likewise have an office in the centre.

Firms will be able to secure spare parts inside the building (thus saving many journeys to Tel Aviv). The centre will also house the local diamond exchange.

TAVIV STAMP SHOW CLOSES

TEL AVIV. — A gold medal for the best collection of Israel stamps at the Taviv stamp exhibition at the Dizengoff Museum here was yesterday awarded to Mr. Yehoshua Spiegel. The gold medal for the best general collection was awarded to Mr. David Theodor. Both men are from Tel Aviv.

Altogether 65 prizes were awarded at the exhibition, which closed yesterday after a 10-day run. *(ITIM)*

Foreign Civil Servants to Remain

POST Economic Reporter

Contracts have been concluded by the Civil Service Commission with 120 non-Israel Government officials. The contracts enable them to continue their employment for three years, i.e., till July 15, 1963.

As all permanent civil servants are required to adopt Israel citizenship, the foreign nationals will have to comply by the end of their contracted period, or else resign, the Commission's spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

Non-Israelis will be hired in future for a maximum period of three years from the date of their immigration or one year from the date of signing the contract, whichever period concludes later.

Citizenship Lacking

According to the spokesman of the Ministry of the Interior, some 900 employees out of a total of 80,000 in Government service have been found to lack the Israel citizenship which is mandatory under the Civil Service Law passed last year. Apart from those who were authorized to sign contracts in order to retain their foreign nationality for special family or other reasons, practically all the remainder took out naturalization papers.

Civil servants are permitted to possess dual nationality, but only if the person became Israeli through birth or immigration. The third possibility, naturalization, requires a renunciation of any other citizenship, though the Minister of the Interior has the power to grant exceptions at his discretion.

Housing School For Africans

TEL AVIV.—The first class of a School in Housing for Building Foremen from Africa will open on January 16, 1961 in the Jewish Agency Employees' Rest Home in Natanya, according to an announcement this week by the spokesman for the Government Productivity Institute.

The course will last four months and will be financed by the Government. The students are 25 young men from Ghana, Nigeria, Liberia, Sierra Leone, and Ethiopia. The language of instruction will be English. Material is being prepared for future classes in French.

The School is under the "Centre for Cooperation and Training in Building and Housing" which has been set up by the Ministries of Foreign Affairs, Labour, the Planning Centre in the Ministry of the Interior, and the Productivity Institute.

DAFNI TO HEAD DEPT. OF SPORT

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Ministry of Education will establish a Sports Department under Mr. Reuben Dafni, formerly of the Israel Foreign Service. The new unit will coordinate and extend the sports and physical-culture activities of the various bodies in the Ministry.

At present, the Ministry has a department supervising physical-culture in post-elementary schools, a team of inspectors, with a coordinator for elementary schools, a department of instruction incorporated in the Wingate Institute, and a joint committee for international sports relations.

Last May Mr. Dafni was appointed by the Prime Minister as a member of a 3-man Committee which investigated the situation with regard to sports. He accompanied the Olympic team to Italy.

CHALIAPIN. — A museum is to be opened in Moscow in honour of Feodor Chaliapin, the famous Russian bass.

500 Delegates Coming To Congress in December

By SHALOM COHEN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

Five-hundred delegates and 70 associate and external delegates, coming from 50 countries, will attend the Zionist Congress in December, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, President of the World Zionist Organization, told the press in Jerusalem yesterday that the issues dominating Congress will be: "Does the Jewish problem still exist today? What is the role of Zionism? What will be the programme of the World Zionist Organization?"

The actual agenda has not been drawn up. But an innovation already determined is the election of a new Executive in the middle of Congress so as to eliminate the frantic negotiations which formerly took place during early morning hours on the last day of Congress. The various Congress committees should be able to do their business knowing "who is the Government."

Reorganisation Mooted

A standing committee will meet two weeks before Congress for this purpose.

There has been some controversy on whether to change the present form of the Agency's Executive. It is understood that Dr. Goldmann proposes to reduce the number of Agency Departments by merging some, such as Organization with Information. Others that might be affected are the various Educational departments and the Immigration and Absorption Departments. The Executive may be enlarged. This will be done by creating members without portfolio and without responsibility for specific departments. This could solve the distribution of seats by party key — something which also determines the number of Departments (each Executive member heads a Department).

Mr. Ya'acov Tsur, Head of the Information Department, has suggested that all activities concerned with the Diaspora be centralised in one Department.

Congress will devote a good deal of time to the question of *aliya* from the West.

A new feature of this Congress will be the presence of associate and fraternal delegates. Dr. Goldmann said that all South American Jewry will be represented, and practically all Europe. Among U.S. organizations will be the American Jewish Congress, Young Israel, and the New York Board of Rabbis. Talks are now in progress with B'nei B'rith and the United Synagogue. Among the fraternal delegations will be one from the British Board of Deputies.

Different Forms

(An "Associate" organization is one which accepts the Zionist "Jerusalem Programme," but does not necessarily take part in Zionist activities; can attend Congress and take part in discussions and committees, but can have no vote. A "fraternal" organization has not declared its acceptance of the "Jerusalem Programme," attends Congress "demonstratively" and its delegation confines itself to greetings.)

During the plenary meetings here, the recently created 21-man Board of the Jewish Agency Inc. held its first meeting in Israel, and decided on budget questions. Dr. Goldmann, when discussing fund-raising in the U.S., spoke of the "dangerous image" presented of Israel as a prosperous country where there is "No unemployment, limited immigration, no danger of war, and declarations that 'investments are the main thing'." He declared that American Jewry must be shown that *ma'barot* still exist, settlements have to be consolidated, immigrants have to be absorbed.

Intellectuals' Protest Presented to Soviet

The Soviet Ambassador in Paris will be presented this week with the resolutions of the recent Paris International Conference of Intellectuals and Public Personalities on Soviet Jewry, Dr. Nahum Goldmann reported in Jerusalem yesterday.

The conference protested against Soviet policy but notice was delayed because the Russian Ambassador was at U.N. Dr. Goldmann said there was a permanent office in aris which could convene further such conferences at the time of need.

Replying to questions in his capacity as President of the Jewish Material Claims Conference, Dr. Goldmann said that following West Germany's agreement to participate in Austrian restitution to the Jews, negotiations were now in progress with the Austrian authorities over the size and other details of the payments. The present talks follow several unkept promises by representatives of the Austrian Government to settle the question.

As regards West Germany's restitution to Rumanian Jews, he said that Germany had already agreed to make restitution to Jews who had suffered in Transylvania, Bukhovina, and Bessarabia (about 70 per cent of Rumanian territory). Germany has claimed that the Rumanians were responsible for the sufferings of the Jews in other parts of Rumania, but the question is being discussed, and will probably be settled satisfactorily, Dr. Goldmann said.

U.N. Told Tibet Now Chinese Colony

UNITED NATIONS (Reuter). —The Dalai Lama has suggested in a letter to the Secretary-General that the Soviet Union support the "restoration of freedom" to Tibet, in line with its proposed declaration of immediate independence for colonial peoples.

EXPERT DISCOUNTS RECESSION TALK

By STERLING F. GIEN

WASHINGTON (AP). — President Eisenhower's chief economic adviser said on Tuesday that economic facts do not "sustain the theory" that the U.S. is heading into a recession, despite the summer dip in the nation's production.

"I think the American economy is today in a good position to make another major advance," said Raymond J. Saulnier, chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisors.

His speech was prepared for a convention of Iowa bankers, but the White House distributed the text to newsmen in advance.

Though couched in non-political terms, the address furnished ammunition for Republican replies to the charges of Democratic presidential nominee, Senator John Kennedy, that Republican economic policies have contributed to unemployment and a slow-down in national growth.

Predicting that the next decisive trend of the economy will be upward, he rejected policies based on easy money and deficit spending. The economist said the 3% drop in national output in the July-September quarter resulted wholly from the fact that businessmen stopped building up their inventories. Despite the drop, he said, "final purchases," or the goods and services produced and actually sold, rose by 3%.

Wizo Renews Capitol Luncheons

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Jerusalem branch of Wizo inaugurated a series of monthly luncheons at the clubrooms in Rehov Hahavazelet yesterday, a renewal after eight years of one of its social activities.

The guest-speaker, Mrs. Zahava Elath, who was introduced by Mrs. Edi Gordon, Chairman of Jerusalem Wizo, gave a lively account of the visit which she and her husband had paid to Windsor Castle as the guests of Queen Elizabeth.

The Swiss Federation of Wizo presented two cookers and a refrigerator to make these functions possible.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
491, 282.4, 249 & 220 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.00, 7.00 and 7.55 a.m., 1.00, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m.
English: 2.00 p.m. French: 2.35 p.m.

6.00 a.m. Religious Service (R) 6.30 Exercises. 6.40 Musical Clock. 6.55 Programme Announcements. 7.17 Morning Melodies. 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Popular Concert: Liszt: Hungarian Rhapsody No. 5; Abinsky: Warsaw Concerto for Piano & Orchestra; Strauss: Selection from "Der Rigenmeerbaron"; Lortzing: Dance from "Tsar and Carpenter"; Ponce: Estrellita; Tchaikowsky: Dance from "The Nutcracker"; Keller: Overture to a Comedy. 12.00 Woman's Prog. 12.30 Hebrew Songs. 1.00 Lunchtime Music. 1.45 Where to Go? 2.30 Close Down.

4.30 Special Programme for Tourists. 5.05 Programme Announcements. 5.06 Commercial wavelength. 5.06 Saint-Saens: Suite Algerienne, opus 60; Rubinstein: Serenade; Albeniz: Sevilla; Elgar: "Nimrod"; Variation; Prokofiev: Overture on Hebrew Themes, opus 34. 5.35 Language Corner. 6.00 Youth Corner. 6.20 Hebrew Songs. 6.40 "Guests Are Coming" — ed. by E. Ram. 6.55 "Fruit and Flower." 7.20 Requests for Oriental Songs. 7.45 Interview with the Editors of the literary weekly "Nouvelle Littéraire." 8.15 Pre-Classical Music in the Salzburg Festival 1956 — (R): Pergolesi: Concertino "No. 1" in G-minor, for Strings, played by "I Musici." 8.30 "Requiem" Agricultural Bac. 8.50 Bible Reading: Shoftim, Chaps. 3 & 4. 9.15 Newsreel. 9.30 "All Parties." 10.15 Light Music. 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
458, 282.7, 433.4 M.

Commercial Programmes: 5.00 News. 5.05 Omnibus. Announcements. 5.06 Melodies. 5.40 "Soloist & Ensemble." 6.00 Weather Forecast. 6.01 Light classical music. 6.30 "Coffee & Symphony." 6.45 Nations' Songs. 7.00 Close Down.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Hebrew-Magrabbi Lesson. 8.15 News in easy Hebrew. 8.30 Ladino. 9.00 News in English. 9.15 Polish. 9.30 Rumanian. 9.45 Hungarian. 10.00 Talmud Lesson. 10.30 Chess Corner. 10.35 Israel Composers: Dedicated Partos: Concerto No. 2 for Viola and Orchestra, played by the Composer with the Bournemouth Orchestra, conducted by Erich Schmidt (Recorded by the Switzerland Broadcasting Service.) 11.00 News. 11.10 Close Down.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
491, 611 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): 6.30-7.15 p.m. 1.15-1.15 p.m. 11.15-11.45 p.m.

KOL YISRAEL LEOLEH (611 M.): Programme to the U.K.: 10.15 News. 10.35 Tune of the Week. 10.50 Composers of Israel: Manoch Jacobi.

Programme to South Africa: 6.40 News. 6.55 From the Federation. 7.00 "Learning a Trade" — A Visit to Ort.

THIRD PROGRAMME (218, 205 and 187 M.): 4.00 Operatic Airs. 4.30 Songs of your Request. 6.40 Tune & Rhythm. 6.55 Announcements. 7.00 News. 7.10 "Promised Star." 7.30 From the Arab World. 7.45 Pleasant Tune. 8.00 "Jam Club." 8.30 "Army's Diary." 8.45 Insermezzo. 9.00 News. 9.15 "Armoured Corps Day." 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (25.13, 13.93, 19.63 & 16.96 M.): 7.15-7.45 p.m. News. News Comment. In the Jewish World.

MUSIC U.S.A. VOICE OF AMERICA—English Programme: 5.00 and 6.00 a.m. News, U.N. in Action on 25 and 31 M. 7.00 News, Commentators' Digest on 25 and 31 M. 8.00 News, News Analysis, Report to Europe on 31, 41, 49 M. and 238 K. 9.00 and 10.00 News, The American Journal on 19, 25 and 31 M. 2.00 p.m. News, Report to South Asia on 11, 13 and 19 M. 4.00 News, News Analysis, Arts in America on 11, 13, 19, 25 and 31 M. 5.00 News, News Analysis, Report to Middle East on 19, 25 and 31 M. 6.00 News, Arts in America on 11, 19, 25, 31 and 41 M. 7.00 News, Report to Middle East on 13, 25 and 31 M. 7.30 Listeners' Log (President's News Conference) on 13, 25 and 31 M. 8.00 News, Report to Africa on 25 M. 9.00 Perspective on 25 M. 9.00 and 10.00 News in Special English. Music USA on 25 M. 11.00 News, News Analysis, Opinion Today on 25, 31, 41 M. and 238 K. 11.30 Perspective on 25, 31, 41 M. and 238 K. 12.00 News, News Analysis, Opinion Today on 25, 31, 41 M and 238 K.

CYPRUS BROADCASTING CORPORATION. — English Programme (454 & 485 M.): News: 7.30 a.m. 2.00, 7.00, 11.00 p.m.

1.45 a.m. The Coca Cola Programme. 2.00 Melodies & Memories. 2.30 Housewives' Choice. 3.00 Miniature Concert. 3.30 Strauss Last Waltzes. 3.45 Piano Playtime. 10.00 The Melody Dance Band. 10.30 Edmundo Ross. 11.00 The Final Year. 11.15 Light Music. 11.30 Women's Magazine. 12.00 Mid-day Melodies. 2.15 p.m. "The Name is Shane." 2.30 Wednesday Matinee. 6.45 The Lanzik Programme. 7.15 I Give and Bequeath. 10.00 Emergency. 10.15 Stars of Song. 10.30 Tether of Tales.

Where to go

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• **Tourist Service :—**
Visit Hadassah Club, 30 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 23239.
Wizo Club, 91 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 24825, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

• **Zoological Gardens:—**
Open 8 a.m.—6 p.m. daily.

• **Exhibitions :—**

• **Museum Hours:—**
Ancient Glass Exhibition (near Ramat Aviv). 1-6.

• **Tel Aviv Museum:—**
Dizengoff House: — Avraham Naton Memorial Exhibition, examples from all periods of his paintings. Opening 5 p.m.

Helena Rubinstein Pavilion, H. Sigard, paintings and gouaches. From the collection of Israel art, 10-1; 4-7.
Israel Painters and Sculptors Association: New Members' Exhibition, Artists' Pavilion, 9 Rehov Alharizi, 10-1; 4-7.

HAIFA

• **Tourist Centre :—**
Hadassah Club, Youth Aliya Offices, 22 Hehalutz, Tel. 4876, 67965.

• **Exhibitions: —**
One-man show — Erich Glas, Chagall House, 24 Sderot U.N.O.: 10-1; 4-7. Closing tonight.
Museum of Japanese Art, 30 Sderot Hanassi. Flowers in Japanese Art. 10-1; 4-7.

• **The Haifa Symphony Orchestra: —**
Second Subscription Concert Programme: Haydn, Telemann, Bach, Brahms. Conductor: Sergiu Comissiona; Soloist: Aric Israeli, Viola. Armon Cinema, 9 p.m.

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• **Where to Dine:—**
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• **Theatre:—**
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TIVON

• **Yiddish Theatre: —**
S. Dzigan in "Frisch, Gesund und Meshugga", Yuval Or, Ihr Adjutant.

JERUSALEM

• **Theatre:—**
Cameri: "Twelfth Night."

• **Tours: —**
Spend a morning with Hadassah on a conducted tour starting 9 a.m. Book for this tour by phoning 24061, Hadassah Club, Straus Health Centre.
Hebrew University: Conducted tour in English, at 11 a.m. daily. Downstairs Lobby, Wise Auditorium, University Campus.
Yad Vashem: Martyrs and Heroes Memorial Authority, Har Hazikaron. Conducted tour (English) of the buildings and exhibition, 10-11.30.

• **Film Shows: —**
Israel films, daily showings. Keren Hayesod Hall, 13-1 p.m.

• **Exhibitions: —**
Jerusalem Artists House with Municipality Dept. of Education and Culture: An exhibition of hand prints, 10-1; 4-7.
Fima — Exhibition of oils and gouaches 1955-60, Rina Gallery, 13 Rehov Shlomzion Hamalka. Tel. 23523. 9-1; 4-7; 9-11.30.
Safrai Art Gallery, 37 Jaffa Rd. Tel. 28737. Paintings by Dedy, Fima, Rakia, Raphaeli, Yossi Stern, Dror, Blum, Ashheim, Jena Mach, Ruth Bamburger. Purchases mailed upon request. 8-1; 3-7.
"Israel Today", permanent exhibition, Binyanei Ha'ooma, 10-1; 4-6.

• **Israel National Museum: —**
Permanent exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art. Archaeological objects. African Art — from the Collection of Mr. Samuel Dubiner. Jewish Textiles — from the Museum's collection. German prints of the 16th century — from the Museum's Collection, 9-1; 3.30-5.
Bezalel Art Library: Books on primitive modern painting (from Henri Rousseau to Camille Bombois). New acquisitions. 9-1; 3.30-6.
Archaeological Museum, Department of Antiquities, 25 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. New exhibitions: colour plates of UNESCO books, "Israel — Ancient mosaics." New coin board of Alexander. Excavations at Tel Mor, Mesad Hashavyahu. Pottery brought from Lake Tiberias by the Lisk expedition. Also permanent exhibition of antiquities. 9-1; 3-5.

• **Zoo: —**
Jerusalem Biblical Zoo: 8-5.30.

TEL AVIV

• **Theatre: —**
Ohel: "Do You Know the Milky Way?" Premiere. 8.30.

• **Ballet:—**
Ezkar Ramadin, 4.30, 8.30.

CINEMAS

JERUSALEM
3.30, 6.45, 8.45
CHEN: The F.B.I. Story.
EDEN: The Gazebo
EDISON: Casbah
HABIMAH: La Chatte Sort Ses Griffes
OR GIL: A Hole in the Head
ORION: Conspiracy of Hearts
ORNA: Leave Her to Heaven
RON: Heroules Unchained
SEMADAR: Fuori Ma Belli (7, 9 p.m.)
STUDIO: Look Back in Anger
TEL OR: Expresso Bongo
ZION HALL: Cinderella et les Gangsters

TEL AVIV
3.30, 7.15, 9.15
ALLENBY: They Came to Cordura
ARMON DAVID: Blazing Sands
BEN YEHUDA: Il Ultimo Tango
CHEN: Bildais Einer Unbekannten
EDEN: Love and Pleasure
ESTHER: Please Don't Eat the Daisies
GAT: Pimpernel Smith
HOD: La Generala della Rovere
MAXIM: Family Secret
MIGDALOR: Hagi Murad
MOGRABI: Song Without End
OPHIR: Five Branded Women
ORION: A Summer Place
PARIS: White Nights
PEER: Ashes and Diamonds
RAMAT GAN: The Square Peg. Imitation of Life (Mats. 4)
SHDEROT: Il Bell' Antonio (7.45, 9.45)
TAMAR: Revolt in the Women's Prison
(Mats. cont. from 10 a.m.)
TCHELET: The African Lion
TEL AVIV: The Story of Ruth
YARON: The Apartment
ZAFON: Sapphire
ZAMIR: Non cantare Baciami

HAIFA
AMPHITHEATRE: Le Triporteur
ARMON: Ballad of a Soldier
ATZMON: The Last Voyage
EN DOR: Villa!
GAL OR: Gunsmoke in Tucson
HAY: Operation Pettiocat
MIRON: Blazing Sands
MORIAH: Carry On, Teacher
OHAH: Ewa Chce Spac
ORION: Debourrement de Mineures
ORLY: Les Tricheurs
PEER: S.O.S. Pacific
TAMAR: Die Frauenarzin Und Ihr Adjutant

No Congress Elections in Israel

TEL AVIV. — Zionist parties in Israel have come to an agreement on the allocation of seats to the various parties for the forthcoming 25th Zionist Congress which will obviate the need to hold elections for the Congress in this country.

The agreement specifies the following division of the 190 seats allocated to Israel in the Congress: Mapai — 84; Herut — 30; National Religious Party — 22; Ahdut Havoda — 15; Mapam — 15; General Zionist Party — 14; Progressives — 10.

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WEDNESDAY
All Times Local Time

ARRIVALS. Cyprus Air, 06 from London, Munich, Athens and Nicosia. 0740, El Al 458 from Istanbul 1315, El Al 304 from New York and London 1730. Alitalia 459 from Rome 1925. El Al 304 from Nicosia 2010. Olympic 802 from Athens 2030. Air France 138 from Paris, Rome 2240, Swissair 830, from Zurich, Geneva and Athens — 2300. B.O.A.C. 504 from London and Geneva 2310. El Al 414 from Vienna and Rome 2350.

DEPARTURES. T.W.A. 901 to Athens, Rome, Paris and New York 0745. El Al 407 to Istanbul 0800. El Al 418 to Rome and Vienna 0900. B.E.A. 127 to Athens, Rome and London — 0900. Air France 133 to Athens, Rome and Paris — 0955. El Al 211 to London and New York — 1530. El Al 303 to Nicosia — 1700. B.O.A.C. 504 to Teheran — 2355. Air France 132 to Teheran — 0050.

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Today's Postbag

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Forecast: Warm and dry over the hills and inland. Sultry in the Coastal Plain.

Weather Synopsis: A ridge of high pressure over the East Mediterranean.

	A	B	C
Mt. Cana'an	69	20—31	29—30
Tiberias	34	23—34	23—34
Haifa Port	70	19—27	18—28
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A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Yesterday's Temperature range. C) Today's Temperature forecast.

ARRIVALS

Mr. A.S. May, Chairman of the Israel Bond Drive in Washington, (by T.W.A.).

Mr. Hyman Horowitz, contributing editor to the Cleveland, Ohio, Jewish Review and Observer, and Mrs. Horowitz, as guests of the U.J.A.

Mr. Julius Model, director of Israel Pavilion, Izmir Trade Fair, from Izmir and an export mission in Teheran.

Mr. R.G. Dyson, General Manager of Barclays Bank D.C.O., London, on a short business trip.

Mr. G. Fischer, Chairman of the Building Contractors' Association of Miami, Florida, for a visit as guest of the Israel Contractors' and Builders' Centre (by Swissair).

DEPARTURES

Mr. Y. Kimberg, Manager of the daily "Ha'aretz," for six weeks in Britain and the U.S. on business (by El Al).

Mr. Evi Zeitlin, of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry, to head the London office of the Investment Authority for two years (by El Al).

Mr. Nicolai Nesterov, Attaché at the Soviet Embassy, for home leave in Moscow (by Alitalia).

Rabbi Morton Berman, Director of the English-speaking Countries Division of the Keren Hayesod, for a seven-week mission in Johannesburg (by El Al).

THE REMNANTS of a multicoloured mosaic floor, containing drawings of a palm tree and a flower, were discovered during the recent ploughing at Kibbutz Nir Oz in the Western Negev by a member of the kibbutz, Mr. Hanan Cohen.

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PRI HAGALIL, the Hatzor dehydration and canning plant, is sending a trial order of 20 tons of powdered and flaked onion to the U.S.

Recognition for Most T.A. University Faculties

The Council on Higher Education yesterday granted recognition to most faculties and courses of study of the Tel Aviv University and to Teaching Certificates issued by the University's Faculty of Education.

Graduates of the University will now be able to receive B.A. and BSc. degrees in Bible Studies, Talmud, Hebrew Language, Israel History, General History, Zoology, and Botany. Students of microbiology will qualify for the MSc. degree.

At the same time, the Council decided to set up a subcommittee to meet the University authorities and to discuss qualifying the remainder of its faculties and courses for recognition. The subcommittee will be appointed by the Council's Chairman, Education Minister Abba Eban.

Students to Debate Israel's Democracy

The Hebrew University's Student Parliament will open its debating season next Tuesday with a public debate on the topic—"Is Democracy in Danger in Israel?"

The Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Moshe Dayan, will argue that it is not, Mr. Israel Bar-Yehuda, M.K., that it is.

(It is understood that the choice of the topic to open the season's debates was dictated by the widespread interest in the wider ramifications of the Lavon Affair. Kol Yisrael has been invited to record the debate which will take place in the Wise Auditorium on the University campus.)

Russian Scholars Seek Poet's Traces

LYDDA AIRPORT. — Three representatives of the Georgian Academy of Sciences arrived on Monday night from Soviet Russia to seek traces of the medieval Georgian poet, Shata Rustaveli, who according to tradition lived in and received his Inspiration from Jerusalem.

The three scholars, who will study documents on the subject, are Messers. Abashedze, Shamdeze, and Tsirtili. *(Tass)*

Soviet Tourists Cancel Trip

TEL AVIV. — A group of 12 tourists from the USSR, who were scheduled to spend 12 days in Israel, cancelled the trip at the last moment.

Peltours, the local agents for Intourist, the Soviet travel agency, had completed all accommodation and itinerary arrangements, when they received a letter from Intourist just before the visitors were due to arrive which stated that the Soviet agency had not managed to collect a group of visitors.

A previous group of 12 Russian Jews visited Israel in July, 1958. Articles slandering Israel and purporting to describe what they saw appeared in the Soviet press after their return.

LAVON AFFAIR:—

KNESSET SPLITS OVER SECURITY COMMITTEE

By ABYEH RUBINSTEIN, Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Knesset Members representing the General Zionists, Ahdut Ha'avoda, the N.R.P., the Communists and Agudat Yisrael insisted yesterday that the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee continue to investigate the Lavon affair "to the end." They were speaking in the continuation of the political debate which opened on Monday, when a similar demand was expressed by spokesmen for Mapam and Herut.

On the other hand, Mr. Akiva Govrin (Mapai) declared that the committee has disqualified itself from continuing its inquiry in view of the numerous leaks to the press by its members, despite the fact that they are sworn to secrecy. (Later, Mr. Zalman Aranne (Mapai) said that the secrets involved in the affair were too delicate to be entrusted even to the Foreign Affairs Committee.)

It is understood that Mr. Ben-Gurion will reply to the debate this morning. But it is practically definite that the vote will be put off until next Monday, to enable the Coalition parties to reach some sort of agreement at Sunday's Cabinet meeting.

Mr. Govrin's remarks touched off vociferous heckling from the Herut and Mapam benches. Mr. Govrin tried to continue despite the din, and Deputy Speaker Beba Idelson's gavel-banging proved ineffective for a moment or so.

Apart from the disorder during Mr. Govrin's speech, the session was unusually quiet, if not dispirited. Fewer than half the Members were present, and the Government table was practically empty most of the time.

Ministers Missing

Two Ministers who replied to parliamentary questions left shortly after that chore was over. The Prime Minister left in the middle of the speech by the first speaker (Mr. Yosef Serlin, General Zionists) and did not return. Mr. Pinhas Lavon was absent, as he had been on Monday. At the Cabinet table, only Mr. Ben-Aharon and Mr. Eban earned good attendance marks.

As was the case on Monday, the Lavon affair played the central part in the debate. Every speaker in the afternoon session discussed it, most of them leaving it for the end of their speeches.

Mr. Serlin said that if the Knesset had recently risen in the estimation of the public, it was precisely because the Foreign Affairs Committee was investigating the Lavon affair. The fact that Opposition members sat on the Committee did not disqualify it; by the same logic the Knesset itself was disqualified.

Any attempt to take the affair out of the Committee's hands would make the public doubt whether there was a real desire to get to the bottom, Mr. Serlin warned. The function of the Committee was not only to extract the State from the morass in which it was bogged down, but to prevent it from getting caught in such a quagmire.

Mr. Govrin replied to the speech made by Mr. Ya'acov Hazan (Mapam) on Monday night. He asked on what grounds Mr. Hazan had alleged that Mr. Ben-Gurion had "become a party" to the case? He noted that when the Prime Minister appointed the Cohn Committee, a variety of slurs were cast on the nature of the Committee. Now the same voices were demanding the Committee's report — the Committee had suddenly become acceptable.

Govrin Charges C'tee

As for the Foreign Affairs Committee, Mr. Govrin said he was distressed by what was happening there. Although the Members swore not to reveal what went on in the committee, they have talked freely to the press in this matter. In fact the *Va'adat Hutz.* (Foreign Affairs Committee) had become a *Va'adat Hutza* (a committee from which things go out).

It was when Mr. Govrin added: "There's no security in the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee" that the storm broke. Mr. Aryeh Ben-Eliezer (Herut) jumped to his feet, shouting "Don't talk that way," other Herut members added their voices, and above them all Mr. Govrin roared that he had not yet finished his sentence.

When he finally was able to complete it, it went like this: "There's no assurance (*bitahon* — which means both "security" and "assurance") that also in the future things won't be published (that are heard in the Committee)."

Mr. Govrin asked whether the Foreign Affairs Committee any longer had the moral right to continue investigating the affair. It was not he who was disqualifying the Committee; the Committee was disqualifying itself — day after day.

Mr. Moshe Carmel (Ahdut Ha'avoda) praised the public for maintaining a sense of proportion and evincing maturity — even though it was very sensitive to any injustice or infringement of democracy. What puzzled him was the character evidence that had been given. A man claims that an injustice was done to him, and the answer given is: "He lacked the security touch." Supposing he did, does that justify injustice?

Unless the Foreign Affairs Committee were permitted to continue its inquiry and receive all the relevant documents, this could be interpreted as an effort to hinder the investigation, Mr. Carmel said.

Mr. Moshe Kol (Progressives) said that Mr. Govrin insulted the Knesset and its Foreign Affairs Committee. There was no proof that it was the Committee members who had leaked information to the press, he said. Mr. Kol said that the Ministerial committee of inquiry proposed by his party was not meant to supersede the Foreign Affairs Committee, but to work in coordination with it.

Mr. Baruch Azania (Mapai) said that the word "whitewash" had been unjustly bandied about. After the Cohn Committee did its job and after the opinion of the Attorney-General on the Committee's report was made public, there was hardly any danger of "whitewashing."

In the evening session, Mr. Zalman Aranne (Mapai) said he had known of the Olshan-Dori conclusions and had been convinced at the time that Lavon had no part in the giving of the "accursed order." He added that the findings of the Cohn Committee now removed all suspicion from Lavon, and the statement of Mr. Sharett gave Mr. Lavon further moral support.

Mr. Aranne said that the Foreign Affairs Committee was the legitimate, qualified body to discuss the administration and the procedure of the Ministry of Defence and of the Defence Forces — and it could continue its discussion of these aspects without any connection with the "Affair."

Information Poured Out

But it was a fact that it was precisely with regard to the "Affair" that not only was information leaked out of the Committee — it was poured out. An amnesty was given to secrecy. He remembered no parallel case.

This proved, Mr. Aranne said, that there was something in this affair that had a special quality. It was a matter that made it difficult for all members — including himself — to judge objectively. Further, grave secrets were involved in the affair and these must be kept. Israel is not the only democracy where some secrets are known only to the Prime Minister, the Defence Minister, and the individuals directly dealing with the affair. These secrets should not be turned over even to the Foreign Affairs Committee.

Mr. Yitzhak Raphael (National Religious) said there was no doubt that the Committee was the proper forum. He disagreed with Mr. Aranne, who he thought had done a great wrong to the Committee. He also attacked the censorship for not having acted impartially in the affair.

Syrian Shooting At Khirbet Tawafik

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS. — A party of technicians from the Geophysical Institute in Rehovot came under heavy automatic fire from Syrian positions in the demilitarized zone southeast of [illegible] Hagolan yesterday morning, when they began their preparations for a geophysical survey. No one was hurt during the 15 minutes of fire.

The foreman of the party, Mr. Willy Deutsch, told *The Jerusalem Post* that he and five men from the Institute had arrived in Tiberias on Sunday to carry out a geophysical survey in the demilitarized zone, below the village of Khirbet Tawafik. The first day had passed without interference from the Syrians, but almost immediately after they started work on Tuesday, three Syrian positions opened fire on them. At the time of the attack, they were about 1,000 metres from the border, between the Zemakh-el Hamma Highway and the railway line Semakh-Dra'i, in Syria.

The workers flattened themselves against the ground, and Deutsch crawled to one of the two vehicles parked nearby. He managed to drive it away, in spite of the fire directed at him, and called for aid. He returned after some time, accompanied by a U.N. Observer and the Israel delegate to the Israel-Syrian Mixed Armistice Commission, Rav-Seren S. Gatt. In their presence, the pinned-down workers crawled to safety out of range. No damage was caused to their equipment.

An immediate investigation of the incident was started by the U.N., during which the technicians were also interrogated. Israel has lodged a complaint with the Israel-Syrian M.A.C.

Syriana Destroy Nets On Kinneret Shore

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TIBERIAS. — Six fishing nets, spread out by a fisherman from Tiberias, near the eastern bank of Lake Kinneret, were torn by Syrians on Sunday night. The night before, seven nets, owned by another Tiberian, were stolen near the same spot, opposite the Syrian village of Kursi.

Wildcat Strike At Steel City

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ACRE. — The 80 workers of the second shift at the Steel City, south of here, went on a sudden strike yesterday afternoon in protest against the alleged failure of the management to provide hot water in the showers.

The night shift that reported to work at 10 o'clock joined the strikers, and the 160 men will spend the night at the plant waiting for today's morning shift.

The local Labour Council and the Workers' Committee both said last night that the strike was a "wildcat" and told the men to return to work.

Heavy Sentences for Arab 'Fifth Column' Spies

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER, Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA.—Five men aged 22-30 were yesterday given prison sentences ranging from 4 to 14 years for spying, passing information to UAR intelligence, conspiring to help the enemy, and buying and possessing arms.

The Haifa District Court also sentenced two 18-year-olds to two years' imprisonment each for failing to report the crimes of the other five. These two young men, Mahmoud Hassan and Mahmood Nasser, who had been in detention together with the others since the ring was caught in July, 1959, were released at once when the Court ruled that the sentences were to run retroactively.

An eighth accused, Ahmed Nasser, 19, was acquitted on all counts. All the men live in Tamra and Arraba villages in Western Galilee.

The following men were sent to jail: Hussein Yassin (alias Jarbouni) 23, leader of the ring — 14 years; Ibrahim Fahwami, 30, former Secretary of the Communist Party in Tamra, who was described as the ring's moving spirit — 12 years; Mahmoud Yassin, 22— 10 years; Youssef Cna'an, 23 — six years; Ahmed Yassin, 24 — four years.

Two Year Trial

The trial lasted for almost two years, with numerous adjournments due chiefly to quarrels between the defendants and their counsel. (They were all originally represented by Mr. Nimmer Hawari, who was replaced by other lawyers, among them Mr. S. Toussia-Cohen.) Almost 80 witnesses were heard, the record covering 500 pages. It took the Relieving President of the Court, Judge S. Kaszan, 2½ hours to read the judgment yesterday. (In addition to Judge Kaszan, the Court comprised Kahan.) District Attorney Y. Bahaloul prosecuted.

The trial revealed that some of the men had also planned to establish an armed underground in Galilee which would go into action in the event of war with the UAR. Several had crossed into Syria, where they received instructions to go where to collect. The men were arrested three months after the ring was organized.

Impromptu Party

The men were brought into the courtroom early yesterday morning by an armed police escort, smartly dressed in dark trousers and white shirts, looking very well after two years in detention.

Dozens of waiting relatives and fellow-villagers supplied them with candy, cigarettes, and Turkish coffee in vacuum flasks. The men enjoyed an impromptu refreshment session in the courtroom before the judges entered, pressing cups of coffee on their escorts and your reporter.

They told *The Jerusalem Post* that in prison they had read "Ta'ad," the weekly organ of the "New Regime," and were very much impressed by the views it advanced.

10 Teams for Finals In Chess Olympics

EAST BERLIN (Reuter). — With one preliminary round still to be played in the Leipzig World Chess Olympics, ten national teams seem to have secured places in the finalist group which plays off for the first 12 places.

After Monday night's play in the eight round, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, East Germany, Russia, Argentina, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, England, the U.S., and West Germany were well ahead in their groups.

Results after last night's play in the 8th round were: Group A: Yugoslavia 24, Bulgaria 22, East Germany 22, Norway 18½, Israel 17, Indonesia 16½, Finland 15½, Albania 10¼, France 10, Malta 3.

World Table-Tennis Champ Represents Israel

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Angelica Rosianeau, the former world women's table tennis champion will represent Israel at the Austrian open championships starting November 5.

Miss Rosianeau, who dominated women's table tennis for ten years after World War II, will be the sole representative of Israel at the "Austrian open" which is one of the major tournaments of the year.

Costa Rica Team Plays P.T. Hapoel Today

TEL AVIV. — The Costa Rica F.C. will play three games in this country, opening its tour against league champions Petah Tikva Hapoel at Petah Tikva today. The kick-off is at 3 p.m.

The Costa Rica team, which includes several internationals, will meet Haifa Maccabi at the Haifa Municipal Stadium on Saturday, and Tel Aviv Maccabi at Ramat Gan on Monday.

Sharon Pioneer Turns 100

Mrs. Gita Gendelman, one of the founders of Benyamina, celebrated her 100th birthday this week at a festive "kumsitz" given in her honour by the Benyamina Municipality. She immigrated from Russia 37 years ago with three of her children.

She now has three daughters, two sons, 11 grandchildren, and 19 great-grandchildren. Her eldest son, Shalom Gendelman, 71, is still in Russia.

Her descendants include a Sgan-Aluf, the principal of a Beersheba nurses' school, the director of a Dead Sea industrial plant, and the chief administrator of the Cameri Theatre in Tel Aviv.

More Trouble For Tiam Bus Station

The building of the Egged bus-station in Jerusalem has struck a new snag. When the Municipality expropriated the 13-dunam lot for the station, it included an area set aside for a road which would skirt most of the lot. The area amounts, according to Egged, to about two dunam.

Egged is willing to pay for 11 dunam though not for the road, but the Municipality insists on such payment, an Egged official states. He points out that the city got these two dunam without cost from the landowners since they were originally designated for a road. He sees no reason why Egged should be asked to pay for an area which cost the city nothing. (He refused to say how much the city was asking.)

City officials refuse to comment on the issue. Both sides are to meet on Wednesday morning in an effort to thrash out this issue, as well as to decide whether the exit of the new station should be on Jaffa Road, or on a side road.

Testing Institute For Delinquent Drivers

RAMAT GAN. — Delinquent drivers will be given physical and mental examinations at a special institute which will be established shortly at Tel Hashomer Hospital as a joint project of the Ministries of Health and Transport, according to an announcement earlier this week by Dr. A. Spiro, head of the Tel Hashomer Rehabilitation Centre.

Drivers found to be unfit to drive will not have their licences renewed. Dr. Spiro said that there are similar institutes in Germany and Great Britain.

Sapir Proposes Cuts In Import Controls

"I intend proposing to the Cabinet to abolish the need for import licences for half the goods being brought into the country today," the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Pinhas Sapir, told the Economy Advisory Council yesterday.

Mr. Sapir made his statement in reply to demands for more widespread liberalisation in the economy and for the abolition of various Government controls. He said that the proposal was not revolutionary in itself but rather a natural development in the steady progress towards a freer economy.

In the discussion of general investment policy, Mr. Sapir reiterated his stand that the Government was ready at all times to sell its interest in all firms except for those which had to be under Government ownership by reason of the nature of their activities. He reminded the Council that in nearly all cases the Government had set up the firms it now controls only when private businessmen had either been unwilling or unable to establish these industries.

Trade Agreements with Iceland, Rumania

A new trade agreement which is to come into effect on January 1, 1961, was signed between Israel and Iceland in Geneva last week. The new agreement replaces the agreement with Iceland which was signed in Stockholm in 1953.

The trade agreement with Rumania was also renewed for another year in an exchange of notes in Geneva last week.

Israel Sends Cows To Persia

LYDDA AIRPORT. — Two shipments of 20 pure-bred cows each were flown to Persia by K.L.M. during the last two days in the first stage of an export scheme. A third shipment of 20 is to be flown to Persia today.

The programme was initiated jointly by the Israel Export and Trust Corporation and the Cattle Breeders' Association. *(Ilan)*

Notices to the Public

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The Tovala Company Ltd. which will need to expand its transport service by forty trucking units in the coming year, at a cost of almost IL7m., part of which will be sought as a loan from the Development Budget, stated Mr. Eliezer Preminger, Deputy Director-General of the Development Ministry and Chairman of the Company's Board, at a press conference in Jerusalem on Monday. Each unit will consist of a lorry and two trailers, carrying between them a fifty-ton load.

At present the company possesses 120 diesel lorries, each with a capacity of 20 tons or above. It serves for the most part the mining corporations of the Negev. With the rapid increase in mine and quarry output, the company will have to carry 720,000 tons of materials during the fiscal year 1961-2. Expenses of transporting potash in 30-ton trailer-units on the new road from Sdom to Eilat (which was opened yesterday (Tuesday) by Dr. Josephthal) will be reduced from IL13 to IL8 a ton.

Tovala, which employs 350 workers, has not raised its prices since 1952, and they stand at 20 to 30 per cent below prevailing scales in the country, Mr. Preminger added. This makes it difficult for Tovala to pass on the overflow of its present carriage to other companies, since the rates offered are too low to tempt them. Reasons for Tovala's low charges are a uniform fleet of trucks (all of them of the Autocar brand, imported from the U.S.), a high rate of utilisation, low administrative overheads and a wage system for drivers that includes incentive pay.

The Ladies' Minks: Produce of Israel

A major new development in Israel's luxury fur industry may be heralded by the arrival of Mr. Herman H. Meltzer in this country last Saturday night. Mr. Nachman Vidan, Director of the Industries Division at the Ministry of Commerce and Industry told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

The object of Mr. Meltzer's visit is to study the possibility of extending to Israel the production of mink, Persian lamb and broadtail, almost entirely for export.

Israel possesses a good number of skilled craftsmen in the fur trade, and the first stage in the project under consideration is the sewing of mink plates in this country for making up into fur garments in the U.S. The garments themselves may be manufactured in Israel if adequate design facilities can be mobilised locally. The Ministry is also examining, together with the Ministry of Agriculture, the question of whether local land and water resources are suitable for mink ranching and the breeding of Persian lambs.

Mr. Meltzer has retired this year from the Executive Vice-Presidency of the Evans Fur Company, a firm whose production covers 10 to 15 per cent of the U.S. total fur industry. He is now devoting all his attention to planning an industrial project for Israel in this field.

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	24/10	25/10
$ LINKED		
3½% Tavel 3	933	933
4½% Bonds: 3	971	971
4½% Def. Loan	3337	3337
6% Hous. Loan II	1000	1000
4½% " " II	1000	1000
4½% P.E.C. 57/64	1000	1000
6% Nat'l Oil Co.	940	940
6% K. Hay. III	1000	1000
6% Fert. & Chem.	970	971
Local Authorities	1000	1000
C.G.I. LINKED		
4½% Def. Loan	1041	1041
4½% Hous. Loan "A"	1000	1000
4½% P.E.C. 57/64	1162	1162
6% K. Hay. III	1011	1011
Local Authorities	1011	1010
10% C.G.I. LINK.		
6% Ind. Dev. Bank	943	943
5% Pal. Elect.	943	943
6% Bank Leumi Iss	994	994
ORD. & PREF. SHRS.		
Pal. Elect. Stock	631	631
4½% Pal. Elect. 2nd Pref. Stock	600	600
Bank Leumi "A" Ord. Stock	—	—
Gen. Mort. Bank (new bearer)	960	960
Bank Leumi Inv	997	998
Rassco Pref.	340	330
Hous. Mort. Bank	190	188
Ellern Invest.	455	455
Africa Pal. Inv.	373	373
I. L. D. C. (new bearer)	997	997
Ata Textiles	Rs345	347
Def. Sh. (Reg.)	362	330
Moller Text.	170	171
Phoenicia	1500	1495
Amis & Bel. Inv	R240	240
Pal. Potash	394	391
Dead Sea Foun.	R200	201
Teva	R350	R350
Pal. Cold Stor.	300	303
Paper Mills	2334	2341
Alliance	31.60	31.70
Delek	342	343
Delek 11/12	320	322
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Lapidoth	91	91
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His wife, Irma.
His son, Pinhas-Paul, and the Family.

Amman Quotes From Dov Joseph's Book

Amman Radio's political commentator last night quoted several passages from Dov Joseph's "The Faithful City" to emphasize the current disunity among Arab countries.

The book on the 1948 siege of Jerusalem had formed the subject of a talk over the Israel Arabic Broadcasting House last week. Excerpts from the broadcast were quoted by Amman Radio yesterday. They included Mr. Joseph's statement that there was no Arab unity — neither before the Palestine war nor after — and that this was the major reason for the Arab failure.

The Amman commentator then pointed to the fact that in the last week there were 22 anti-Jordan broadcasts from the UAR. He asked, "How can the Arabs ever hope to avoid a second catastrophe under the circumstances?"

6 Foreigners Get 7 to 15 Years in Cairo 'Spy Case'

CAIRO.—The Supreme State Security Court yesterday sentenced six foreigners to jail for terms ranging from seven to 15 years after conviction on charges of spying for Israel.

An Italian, Ferdinando Pasciallo, and a Dutchman, Meewis Gouswaard, each received sentences of 15 years hard labour.

Ten-year terms were meted out to another Italian, Raimondo di Pietro, to Dr. Fritz Katz of West Germany, and to Nicola Coys, a Greek. A second Greek, George Stamatiou, was sentenced to seven years.

The court also upheld the death sentences against three Egyptians involved in the case, who were sentenced earlier, and sentenced eight other Egyptians to terms ranging up to 10 years hard labour. An Egyptian woman — the only woman on trial in the case — was given a jail sentence of six months.

Dr. Katz, in addition to the prison sentence, was fined LE1,000. Di Pietro was fined $2,870. Coys and Stamatiou were each fined LE1,000.

Private Parties

Dr. Katz, a Jewish surgeon, who has been practising in Egypt for a long time, was alleged to have organised private parties at his home to seek persons willing to become Israel agents. The others were alleged to have spied on the UAR armed forces and passed on military secrets to Israel agents.

Stamatiou and Coys were alleged to have been members of a body called the "International Anti-Communist Organization" which supplied reports on Soviet activities in Egypt.

Pioneer Women's Exhibition

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV.—Five-hundred Americans belonging to the U.S. Pioneer Women will attend the "Women in Israel" Exhibition which opens this afternoon in Hamlin House, in the presence of the President's wife, Mrs. Rahel Ben-Zvi, the Deputy Knesset Speaker, Mrs. Beba Idelson and the wife of the U.S. Ambassador, Mrs. O. Reid. The Exhibition signifies the 40th anniversary of the Moetzet Hapoalot and the 35th anniversary of the U.S. Organization.

The displays consist in the main of "blown-up" photographs, graphs and figures arranged by the artist couple, Mira and Amiram Shamir, and the graphic artist, David Kleinman.

In the section devoted to "*The Home Front*" is a large reproduction of a 15th century engraving showing Jewish women baking matzos in Venice. A wedding dress which has been handed down from mother to daughter for the past 130 years in the Ben-Natsura family is also on display. This Spanish family were Marranos for centuries until they came to settle in Ramla. Other interesting items are kitchen utensils, from the Stone Age pot until today's pressure-cooker.

At the entrance to the Exhibition are three fresco caricatures by Arula Hurwitz of Kibbutz Netiv Lamed Heh depicting "typical" men and women of the first, second, and third aliyot — from the late Victorian styles of the *Bilsin* woman via the "new women" of the Hashomer and Degania groups until the women road-builders in bloomers of the early 1920s.

The section, "Women at War" has pictures of World War II parachutist heroines, Hanna Szenesh and Havivа Reik.

The anniversary celebrations include a mass rally tonight at the Habimah Theatre with the participation of Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion, Mrs. Ben-Zvi, Mrs. Idelson, the chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, Mr. Z. Shazar, and the U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Ogden Reid.

Quemoy Farmers Are Prosperous

Life As Usual Despit Election Debates

By DON FRIFIELD

TAIPEI (NANA).—CHINA'S offshore islands have become a major election issue in the U.S. The Quemoy and Matsu groups are each only a few miles from the mainland, each well within viewing and artillery range, each heavily fortified with underground complexes, earthworks, pillboxes, minefields offshore and on land, and heavy garrisons, totalling from 50,000 to 80,000 men, depending on the mood of the times.

Quemoy, the largest island, is only 130 square kilometres in area. It has 45,000 of the 50,000 inhabitants of the Quemoy group, which also includes Little Quemoy, off Quemoy's west point, and the islets of Tu-tan, Uh-tan, Fu-chi-yu, Tong-ting and Pei-ting, which are hardly more than desert patches in Amoy harbour, blocked and rendered ineffective to the Communists by the Nationalist occupation of the Quemoy archipelago.

The large mainland city of Amoy is 15 miles from Quemoy, but the nearest communist-held territory is only two miles away. Because all the Quemoy islands are in Amoy harbour, Communist artillery can zero in on the group from three sides. American observers estimate that 200,000 Communist troops man the areas around Quemoy. Peiping repeatedly threatens to invade at an "opportune moment."

Many former residents of the Quemoy islands now live on Taiwan itself, or have migrated to Southeast Asia, an exodus that began after Japan warred on China and intensified after the Communists completed their sweep of the mainland in 1949.

Invasion Repelled

In November of that year a 15,000-man Communist force invaded Quemoy and were defeated by the Nationalists. Half the Communist invaders were killed or captured. In the intervening 11 years, the Communists have not tried to invade Quemoy again, but the "artillery war" continued, with shelling a normal night-time phenomenon.

In 1955 and again in 1958 the Communist shelling of Quemoy burst into special violence, with more than half a million rounds being fired in each instance. In 1958, the famous "every-other-day" bombardment of Quemoy waxed furious, continuing for months.

During President Eisenhower's visit to Taiwan last June, the Communists poured 175,000 shells onto Quemoy in two days.

Every instance of intensified Communist bombardment has reawakened the issue of the offshore islands in the world press and among world statesmen. One school of Western opinion has consistently held that the islands should be surrendered as "indefensible" or as "provocative" to the Communists; the other school has maintained the islands are "defensible," "necessary for the defence of Taiwan," and no more provocative to Communist China than any other of the numerous non-Communist positions in Asia, such as Taiwan itself, Japan, South Korea, the Philippines, Thailand and South Vietnam.

A scene from life on Quemoy during the period of heavy shelling.

Express Photo

Quemoy itself is 150 miles west of Taiwan, 90 miles west of the Nationalist-held Pescadores islands, which are considered a part of Taiwan, and 220 miles from Taipei, the Nationalist capital. The Quemoy islands are inhabited mostly by fisherfolk and small farmers, many of whom can view from their fields their unvisitable motherland rising imperiously amid green mountains across the narrow waters that separate Quemoy from the mainland.

Since 1958, some 130 Quemoy civilians have been killed by artillery. Houses and streets in the main town of the island have been gutted; the airport has been pock-marked and as quickly repaired; the modern 60-bed hospital was hit and repaired. The natives of Quemoy have earned much money by selling the shells as scrap metal. There is no appreciable emigration despite a standing offer to all on Quemoy who wish to settle on Taiwan.

Morale is high. Open-air movies and entertainment groups occupy the spare time of the Nationalist soldiers and those civilians who can find time to attend.

One Chinese official, calculating the number of rounds of artillery fired by the Communists in the last two years, figured that it cost the amazing sum of $228,000 to kill each civilian. Military casualty figures, officially termed "light," are not available.

Land Reform

The scrabbly, rocky soil of Quemoy is hilly and dry, watered by sluggish streams but greatly enriched by commercial fertilisers. An intensive land reform programme, coupled with special attention from the Sino-American Joint Commission on Rural Rehabilitation, has made the Quemoy farmer one of Asia's most skilled and prosperous. He is an expert on everything from insecticides to compost heaps.

As a result, Quemoy nearly feeds itself, raising cabbages, sweet potatoes, sugar cane, radishes, hogs, chickens — indeed almost everything except rice which is brought from Taiwan. Crop yields have risen steadily under J.C.R.R.'s aegis. Vegetable production doubled since the early 1950's and trees are now growing on this once treeless island.

In the opinion of U.S. observers, the self-pride of the Quemoy farmer is the main Nationalist counterforce to the Communist attempt to break morale by artillery bombardments.

Neither the "Formosa Resolution" of 1955 nor the U.S.-Nationalist China mutual defence treaty commits the U.S. to defend more than Taiwan itself and the Pescadores islands; but if the President of the U.S. finds that an attack on the offshore islands is in effect an attack on Taiwan, he can call American forces into action to defend the offshore islands. To date, Mr. Eisenhower has not indicated what his determination would be, in case of any such attack.

The vagueness of the U.S. position has been criticised in many quarters, especially by U.S. military leaders, speaking privately, in the Far East. They liken this "haziness" to the alleged confusion that prevailed over Korea, when the Communists launched their attack in ignorance of whether the U.S. would enter the battle.

Ninety miles west of Taiwan, and six miles off the China mainland, is the Matsu archipelago, a windswept group of islands facing Foochow. The main island is Matsu, only 12 square kilometres in area. Here too the earth is alive with underground passageways, pillboxes and mine fields. Matsu does not even have an airfield — only a place for seaplane landings.

There are 11,000 farmers and fishermen on the Matsu islands, 155 miles north of Quemoy.

Up and down the China coast, several tiny islets are occupied by Nationalist forces or by anti-Communist guerrillas receiving Nationalist aid, but most of these are beyond artillery range from the mainland.

Egypt's Art Display Receives Great Publicity

By HENRIETTE BOAS
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

AMSTERDAM.—"THE signing of a cultural agreement between the UAR and Holland will not only strengthen the cultural links between these two nations, but thus also contribute to a permanent peace in this torn world," the Netherlands Minister of Education and Culture, Dr. Cals, said at an official luncheon at the opening of the exhibition "Five Thousand Years of Egyptian Art" in the Netherlands State Museum in Amsterdam recently.

As reported earlier, this exhibition consists of works loaned by the Museums of Cairo and Alexandria, with the addition of 26 works from the Egyptological Department of the State Museum of Antiquities at Leyden. It has been organized at the initiative of UNESCO, in order to raise funds to save the temples at Philae and in Nubia which are now threatened with destruction by the building of the Aswan dam.

The exhibition, which has not only been called "unprecedented" but is also receiving an almost unprecedented amount of official and press publicity, will remain in Amsterdam until December 31 and then tour other Western-European countries. It was opened in the presence of nearly 1,000 invited guests, among them the UAR Ambassador to Holland, and the Egyptian Under-Secretary for Cultural Affairs, Abdel Moneim el-Sawi.

The Netherlands Railways are issuing at a 100 railway stations special tickets combining a round-trip ticket to Amsterdam with admission to the exhibition at reduced prices. The exhibition will be open not only during the regular Museum hours but also one evening a week.

Those who have visited the Museums of Cairo and Alexandria are unanimous that in Amsterdam the objects are being done much more justice than in their country of origin by the very artistic way in which they are arranged.

The Merten Pussle

WRITS ISSUED AGAINST FORMER NAZI

By LESLIE FINER

ATHENS.—THE arrival in Greece three years ago of Max Merten caused a considerable stir. As a prominent official in the Salonika area during the occupation of Greece, he had been wanted by the Greek authorities for alleged acts of Jewish persecution. On his arrival in 1957, in his capacity as a German lawyer making some enquiries for a client, he was immediately arrested and sentenced to 25 years imprisonment for war crimes.

He had served only a few weeks of this sentence when the Greek Government, under pressure from the German Federal Government, passed a new law abrogating all future rights to try German war criminals in Greece. Merten himself was released and sent back to Germany where he is now at liberty, although apparently awaiting trial by the German authorities.

He has now launched a campaign against highly-placed personalities in Greece, through the columns of the Hamburg "Echo" and the German magazine, "Spiegel." The accusations, which include charges of collaboration, bribery, selling of information to the Germans, Jew-exploitation, etc., are levelled against three Greek Cabinet Ministers (including the Prime Minister, Mr. Karamanlis) and against a high Greek judicial officer.

Unsupported Allegations

Apart from the inherent improbability and factual failings of the accusations (Mr. Karamanlis, for instance, was never, or hardly ever, in or near Salonika during the occupation period) the chief feature of the Merten allegations is that they are totally unsupported by any kind of evidence. The only concrete piece of evidence which has been mentioned by Merten and the newspapers which publish his articles is a photograph purporting to show Merten in the company of Mr. Karamanlis and Mr. Makris, who is now Minister of the Interior. But this photograph has never been seen or published; and now, in answer to some urging by newspaper reporters to publish the picture, Merten has said he does not "want to exacerbate the situation"!

The situation would be comic in most other countries. This was also the first reaction of the Greek Government. Unfortunately the Government has had to face the fact that, lacking for so long a sense of unity and a stick with which to beat the Government, the Greek Opposition seems determined to exploit the affair to its own advantage if it can.

Of course the Opposition has had to go very carefully. In the first place, it must reckon with the laws of libel. But, also it has been up against a general public feeling of disbelief.

So far, the Opposition has had to limit itself, while stoutly maintaining its complete confidence in the integrity of the Greek Ministers concerned, to differing on tactics. It has urged on the Government that the only satisfactory way to answer Merten is to sue him and the newspapers concerned in the German courts. The Ministers and judicial officer maintain that it is quite out of the question and impossibly undignified for public men to appear in foreign courts. All the Greeks accused, except for the Prime Minister himself, have thus issued writs against Merten and the newspapers in the Greek courts.

Effective Move

To the Opposition objection that this would not allow Merten to defend himself against the libel charges because of the Order prohibiting his re-entry into Greece (made at the time of his release and repatriation), the Government has replied at once by introducing a special Bill which revokes this Order — thus challenging Merten to substantiate his charges in Greece.

The result of this latest move appears to have been effective; the latest statements of Merten in Germany plainly indicate that he is now rapidly back-pedalling.

One puzzle which remains unsolved is whether this outburst is Merten's own unaided performance (a theory which is supported by the incredible brashness of his arrival in Greece on the assumption that his crimes would have been forgotten), or whether he is being used as an instrument to try and effect the downfall of a Government which normal political methods seem unable to shift.

All these possibilities are being widely discussed at present. But they are being discussed with interest and curiosity, rather than with passion. The Government does not appear unduly worried. *(OPNS)*

YESTERDAY'S PRESS

Prime Minister's Speech

Davar (Histadrut), commenting on the fact that the Prime Minister's speech served to remind the nation's citizens of the tasks facing them, writes: "Did we need such a reminder? It seems that of late the attention of the public and of public figures has been diverted somewhat from issues of central importance to lesser ones, which are important in themselves, but will not determine our lives and our future." Discussing the Prime Minister's call for the development of the Negev, the paper writes: "The time has come for the leaders of the State to present to the people in a more realistic manner the task of developing the Negev, and the time has come to get down to work."

Ha'aretz (non-party) writes: "It was a dry lecture, which was not focused on any central topic... Its major contribution... was to still the storm through boredom." The paper objects to the Prime Minister's connecting the need to foster education with the future requirements of the Defence Forces. "The Prime Minister is worried about our becoming a Levantine State. We share his concern; but we are not less concerned about the possibility of our becoming a Prussian State," the paper declared. Mr. Ben-Gurion's foreign policy views, in contrast to Mr. Begin's, "seemed mature, practical and far-sighted," the paper adds.

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) complains that the Prime Minister did not deal with the weak points of Israel's economy and society. "The feeling that this is a decisive hour in Israel's history, in which we must have the courage to make a thorough re-examination and basic reforms in all areas, was not apparent in the speech... We are unable to commend Mr. Ben-Gurion for ignoring 'the affair'... the paper adds.

Haboker (General Zionist) writes: "We have no complaints against Mr. Ben-Gurion for completely ignoring 'the affair'. He himself denied the right of the Foreign Affairs and Security Committee to discuss it, and he would obviously not willingly raise it in a plenary session of the Knesset. But there was no reason to believe that because of this he would be content with a speech composed of portions of various earlier speeches..."

Lamerhav (Ahdut Ha'avoda) writes: "Although there is no reason to cast doubts on M. Blumel's important report on Soviet Jewry, as some have done, it is difficult to avoid the impression that he tried to emphasize the desirable aspects of Jewish life in the Soviet Union, just as there are others who emphasize the undesirable ones."

Hatzofe (National Religious Party) writes: "Even if M. Blumel had been allowed to travel freely in the Soviet Union and to have unhampered contact with the Jews there... it is unlikely that in the short period of time he was there he could have made a thorough investigation of the situation of Russian Jews... He could have received his information from the Soviet propaganda services in Paris and he did not have to bother to go to Moscow and Leningrad to support Soviet propaganda."

MARGINAL COMMENT

DEATH LOVER

By Max Lerner

FOR the first time since Fidel Castro's conquest in Cuba I feel we have been offered a clue to the man himself and his strange career. You may ask, "What is there so strange about him? He is simply a man seeking to fulfil his commitments in carrying through a complete social revolution."

This is a possible reading of Castro, but it will not explain the police-state repressions, the firing squad justice, the deaths, the extinction of press freedom, the Nazi-like purge of the universities, the hysterical attack on the U.S., the quarreling with regime leaders of other Latin American countries, the involvement with the Russians, the emotionalism and ruthlessness from which so many of his former friends and associates now recoil.

One of those associates is Teresa Casuso, a member of Castro's U.N. delegation with the rank of ambassador. She has resigned her post, and it is from her remarkable resignation statement that I get the clue to Castro's personality which strikes me as most persuasive.

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MISS Casuso was a strong Castro supporter after the victory over Batista. But she feels that his ordeal in the Sierra Maestra left its mark on him. Castro, she says, "is obsessed with death and destruction. He is a man of war, and he has to be at war with the United States and everybody because he is at war with himself."

By itself this could be a deceptive lead. No public figure, and least of all a man who heads a historic social movement, can be wrapped up neatly in a psychological package and explained that way. The roots of Cuba's social revolution reach deep and Castro's measures ramify far. An able current book — "Cuba, Anatomy of a Revolution," by Leo Huberman and Paul M. Sweezy (Monthly Review), analyzes what has happened in Cuba as a major achievement of revolutionary socialism and a brilliant triumph of leadership, courage, and collective will. It would be infantile to sweep away all this as simply the work of a man obsessed with death.

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YET the lead is there and I suspect it will have to be reckoned with. The Marxist analysis by Huberman and Sweezy proves mainly what it sets out to prove — that Castro is a liberating leader who defied American imperialism and freed Cuba's masses for a leap forward into economic growth and a socialist way of life. A humanist analysis, however, would have tried to add up the social and psychic costs — the ignoring of any rule of law, the stifling of press and speech, the ousting of independent professors and their replacement by regime apokesmen, the atmosphere of suspicion, the incitement of hate, the turning of what might have become a free and joyous society into a barrelful of writhing serpents.

Surely our generation, which has witnessed a Stalin police state, a Hitler Third Reich, the genocide of the European Jews, the tanks in Budapest, the destruction of Tibet and its religion, can no longer afford to judge a social movement by whether it calls itself revolutionary and whether it survives. Nor can we judge it by whether the sugar plantations and factories belong to a corporate ruling gang or a state ruling gang, or even by whether the people who pay rent and taxes to the state for the next decade or two are called tenants or landlords.

Nor can we judge it, finally, by whether the men swaggering about in uniforms on the street wear armbands which call them 'stormtroopers or the revolutionary people's militia.

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I AM not equating Castro's Cuba with Stalin's Russia or Hitler's Germany. I am only saying that the creations of a revolutionary will cannot be accepted merely because they are called "revolutionary" or because they shift ownership title and change the possessor and power groups. They must be judged by how they function in the here and now, what they do to the minds and lives of people. Judged by these standards the Castro revolution is making the Cuban people pay a high price for whatever they are getting.

Castro could have pursued a course which would not have involved all the ruthlessness and repression, the parade of force, the deaths. The Mexican revolution was a social revolution too, and it evoked hatred on both sides, yet it ran its course and made peace with its neighbours and never shattered wholly the democratic fabric. I know that Castro is aiming higher, is plunging deeper, is intent on moving faster. I suppose he needs to keep America as an enemy in order to keep his people cohesive by giving them a hate symbol. I suppose also that, once he invoked the full opposition of the U.S., he felt he had to turn to the Russians.

But none of it falls into place and makes much sense unless you add what Miss Casuso has suggested. Some men fall in love with death and destruction by meanness of spirit, some by largeness of spirit. Castro belongs to the latter. He has convinced himself that if he is to give a larger life to the Cuban masses, he must take on everyone as an enemy and overcome everyone. As a revolutionary he feels he must prove himself by his ruthlessness. Unless he destroys he cannot believe in his own genuine revolutionary hero, perhaps even a God.

It is a dangerous feeling for a man to have, if that man also controls all the instruments of power which mean life and death for other men.

New York, October 26.

Readers' Letters

CUSTOMS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In your issue of September 15, you reported that, contrary to Greece, which will now permit verbal customs declarations, Israel requires that tourists make a written customs declaration concerning the luggage they bring with them.

In fact, we preceded Greece by some years. Tourists arriving in Israel by airplane are not required to make a written customs declaration. Only tourists arriving by boat are asked to itemize their baggage in writing and even this is done on the boat during the journey. This arrangement makes for quicker completion of the customs formalities.

Yours, etc.
A. MANDEL
Inland Revenue
The Treasury

Jerusalem, October 3.

STATE CONTROLLER

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Your reporter's article on wage parity in Civil Service, in your issue of September 2, states, *inter alia*:

"The State Controller's Department neatly by-passed the whole issue for its own staff by having all its senior employees transferred from general grading to professional grading (as economists). Of the 245 employees so transferred, only 107 had university degrees."

This is a most astonishing fact.

The State Controller's Department should serve as an example to other government departments, rather than by-pass generally acknowledged rules binding on others.

Yours, etc.
R. BEN YOEL

Tel Aviv, September 5.

Controller's Office Replies

The State Controller had for some years desired to confer professional status on audit and control officials — a step which is justified by the nature of their work and the special training required for its execution.

In 1959, after discussions and in agreement with the Finance Committee of the Knesset, a special professional grade was instituted in this Office for state audit and control officials. Those workers of the Controller's Office who held a university degree in the fields of law, economics, public administration and certain other social sciences, as well as those who held an auditor's certificate, received professional grading at once. Others appeared before a special committee which included a representative of the public and considered whether their knowledge and training justified their being granted professional grading; the grade was awarded only if the committee recommended it.

Since the professional grade was instituted, only holders of a university degree in one of the fields mentioned above, or auditors, have been accepted for work in the Controller's Office. The State Controller considers the introduction of professional grading an important step in raising the professional standard of audit and control staff, as is expounded in Annual Report No. 10 of the State Controller (pp. 13-14).

Professional grading was instituted in this office without any connection with the re-grading which was carried out in Government offices, but as it occurred at about the same time, re-grading here was superfluous.

M. B. MBIRI
Director-General
State Controller's Office

Jerusalem, September 19.

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AT THE CINEMA

Fraternization Melodrama

Five Branded Women (Ophir Tel Aviv) is an Italian-American co-production directed by Martin Ritt which presents Silvana Mangano, Vera Miles, Barbara Bel Geddes, Carla Gravina and Jeanne Moreau as the five women who have their heads shaved for fraternizing with the German troops occupying a Yugoslav town. It appears all five girls were seduced by the one handsome German sergeant (Steve Forrest) and then, fierce-looking without their wavy locks, they are turned out of town. Alternately scrounging for food and escaping rape, the five wander over the countryside until they manage to persuade a group of partisans, headed by Van Heflin, to allow them to join. It then transpires that one of the five (Carla Gravina) is about to have a baby but fortunately Jeanne Moreau captures a German officer, one-time professor of philosophy, who is also an efficient midwife and so forth and so on... The story is utterly puerile and the acting, except for Mlle. Moreau, who can never be uninteresting, is on about the same level.

S. W.

Ship on Fire

THE proper starting point for "The Last Voyage" (Atzmon, Haifa) is the fact that the owners had kept the ship in service too long but the point is quickly slurred over. More significance is attached to the long hesitation of the captain (George Sanders) in ordering the ship to be abandoned. Still, neither without the one nor the other could there have been the fire at sea which opens the film and follows it through until the liner founders on a calm, sunlit Pacific.

The main story is that of the husband (Robert Stack) who will not desert his wife (Dorothy Malone) pinned under fallen steel beams before a rescue that stretches the imagination — this is the melodrama which absorbs too much place because it is fiction set against a fictional background. The child is not a bad little actress. Since it is a safe guess that father, mother and daughter are in no danger, the main interest swings to the struggle against overwhelming odds in the engine room and the captain's behaviour — again melodrama but with a feeling that some such thing could happen.

Short on Money

"The Last Voyage" was preceded by a Gross cartoon, issued by the Departments of Civic Education and the Ministry of Finance, explaining the purpose of the National Budget and the manner of balancing it in simple and humorous visual style. I found it a bit difficult to get the hang at first but once the short got going, my only objection was that some of the images are not sufficiently localized, perhaps in order to avoid any accidental identifications. The audience, however, caught all the points.

H.

MUSICAL DIARY

Immigrant Composer

The Composers Forum, sponsored by the Composers League, Kol Yisrael and the Mifle Artist Club. (Tel Aviv, October 19). Works by Andrée Spirea.

NEW surroundings and the general change in musical climate seem to have had no ill effects whatsoever on dynamic 29-year-old Andrée Spirea, who came to this country from Europe last year and presented his works to the Tel Aviv public at this first Composers Forum of the season. There has been no interruption in his work and his output since his arrival is most impressive; a "Sinfonia Breve," two orchestral suites, "Four Quatrains by Omar Khayyam," a Divertimento etc. Most of these works were commissioned by Kol Yisrael and the "Composers Fund."

One thing is clear: this is a composer with great talent, excellent craftsmanship and a most fluent technique. He seems to be absolutely at ease in everything he writes and his texture is clear and unambiguous. His idiom is contemporary, although not too radical, and although his style is dodecaphonic it seldom sounds obtrusively so. This makes his music easily perceptible for everyone. His orchestration too is very impressive.

Yet there are weak points. Spirea's musical ideas often tend to the effective rather than the introspective. He also thinks in excessively short melodic phrases and rhythmic patterns. Broader lines seem nearly absent. There are exceptions, however, and one of these is the beautiful second movement of the "Sinfonia Breve."

The works we heard instilled in us great hope for this composer's future. It will be interesting to see how his new surroundings influence his style.

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